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Moose Run Cross Country

Steve Hatch (Suz) won the sixth round of the Grand National Cross Country Series in Elizabeth, West Virginia, on May 10. Second place went to **Fred Andrews** (Kaw), followed by **Rodney Smith** (Suz), **Randy Hawkins** (Yam) and **Jim Jarrett** (Kaw).

Steve Hislop (Yam) and **Terry Rymer** (Suz) split wins in the fourth round of the British Superbike Championship, held at Snetterton in England on May 10. Hislop beat **Niall Mackenzie** (Yam) and **Chris Walker** (Kaw) to win the first race, with Rymer topping Walker and Hislop to win the second race. Mackenzie leads the championship over Hislop, 138-122, with eight rounds remaining in the series.

Todd Harrington (Kaw), **Toby Jorgensen** (Hon), **Michael Fitzpatrick** (Kaw), **Mark Junge** (Suz), **Bill Wacholder** (Suz) and **Billy Graef** (H-D) emerged from the NASB World Cycle Fest with victories on May 10. The event, held at Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin's Road America, featured seven road racing classes and made up round two of the North American Sport Bike Series. Harrington won the series' premier class, EBC Brakes Sport Bike, topping Grant Lopez (Suz) and Mark Junge (Suz). Jorgensen won the HRC Grand Prix Series by Idemitsu class; Fitzpatrick topped the Sunoco GT Series GTO class; Junge won the GTU class; Wacholder topped the GT Lights race; and Graef won both the Harley-Davidson Twin Sports and Buell Lightning Series races.

Bart Bast (Jaw) scored a double victory at the **Fast Fridays** speedway season opener at the Gold Country Fairgrounds in Auburn, California, on May 8. Bast, the reigning Northern California Speedway Champion, survived a crash early in the night to win the Handicap main event over **Billy Janniro** (Jaw) and reigning U.S. National Champion **Mike Faria** (GM). In the Scratch main, Bast again finished ahead of Faria, with **Jim Sisemore** (Jaw) third.

L & R Husabergs finished 1-2 during the second annual **Big Valley Ford Spring Classic** dirt track race at the Lodi Cycle Bowl in Lodi, California, on May 9. **Kenny Noyes** (Hbg) and **Tony Souza** (Hbg) occupied the top two spots in the 600c Pro Sport main event, with **Bob Casey** (W-R), finishing third. **Brett Landes** (Rtx) was the man to beat in the Expert ranks, topping **J. P. Simonsen** (Rtx) and **Rex Fisher** (W-R) in the main. Landes also won the lion's share of the purse in the \$1500 Dash For Cash.

Craig Connell (Duc) has retained his lead in the Australian Superbike Championship after finishing second to **Martin Craggill** (Kaw) in the third round of the series in Winton, Victoria, Australia, on May 3. Scheduled to run over two 10-lap races, the event was reduced to just one nine-lap race following a start-line accident that involved Paul Free and Kirk McCarthy, according to *Cycle News* correspondent Darryl Flack. Before the red flag was shown, pole sitter Mark Willis high-sided from the lead and was forced to restart the race from pit lane on his spare bike. Craggill ended up beating Connell by 0.42 of a second, with **Damon Buckmaster** (Kaw) finishing third.

An up-close view of the pit activity and lots of opportunity for autographs await AMA Grand National dirt track fans at the May 25 running of the **Springfield**

Mile. The IMDA will have **open pits** at no additional charge for spectators as a test for the Labor Day running of both the Springfield Mile and the \$50,000 Hall of Fame race. "We are refencing the Springfield paddock area to get our fans closer to their heroes," IMDA executive director Denise Hartley said. "Springfield has always been known for the closest and fastest racing on the Grand National tour, but we are also fan-friendly and determined to give our customers the most possible value for their dollar." The infield will be accessible through a tunnel in turn one of the Illinois State Fairgrounds mile.

The **Dan Rouit Flat Track Museum**, at 309 W. Rialto in Clovis, California, will be hosting its seventh annual **open house** on May 17, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Admission is free, and food and soft drinks will be available for a small donation. Rouit has worked overtime in the past few months to build a **Ricky Graham** exhibit in the museum, and Rouit says it will be completed in time for the open house. Several vintage motorcycles, Midgits, posters, videos and other bits of memorabilia will be on display. For more information, call 209/291-2242 between the hours of 12 p.m. and 6 p.m.

A \$123,000 sponsorship program for the AMA 125/250cc Motocross National Championship has been established. Underwritten by U.S. Tobacco for the fourth straight year, the expanded **Pro Privateer Challenge** includes the presenting event sponsorships for the 12 outdoor races, a \$5000 gift to the AMA communications program and a \$40,000 award program for the top two finishing nonfactory Pro privateers at the individual events. The top finishing nonfactory privateer at each round in both classes will get a \$750 check during each victory celebration. A \$250 check will go to the privateer who finishes second to the top privateer at each round. In addition, a \$5000 year-end check will be presented to the top privateer in each class in the series point standings.

Replying to reports of a comeback in 1999, former 500cc Grand Prix star **Daryl Beattie** has ruled out any return to two-wheel competition, according to *Cycle News* contributor Darryl Flack. Following a run of serious injuries that slowly diminished the 27-year-old Australian from title contender to a dis-

heartened struggler, Beattie now plans to travel around Australia with his partner Meg and four-month old son, Zen, before pursuing a career in aviation. Commenting on press reports suggesting he would return next year, Beattie told the Australian television show RPM: "I don't know how that (the report) came about, really. A lot of people still think that I might be away for the year, and try and come back, but (the decision) is indefinitely; I don't wanna come back." After a frustrating third year with Lucky Strike Suzuki, Beattie ruled himself out of saddling up in 1998. He had earlier mentioned a move back to superbikes to rekindle his enthusiasm, but then restated an interest in remaining in the 500cc class after not being offered a contract by Team Suzuki manager Garry Taylor. More recently, Beattie reportedly turned down the Repsol Honda V-twin 500cc seat now occupied by Sete Gibernau, the replacement for Takuma Aoki, who was left paralyzed after crashing in a private test in Japan in February. Appearing rested and fit and sure of his words, and sporting an Omega-shaped left earring, Beattie has just bought a motorhome for his six-month trip around Australia with his family. Prior to planning the tour, he has been studying for his commercial pilot's license but didn't get through one of his exams, and has put the course on hold until he returns from his vacation. An experienced helicopter and Sukhoi stunt-plane pilot, Beattie is happy to have made a complete cut from his time as a professional motorcycle racer. "I'm enjoying being away from it," Beattie declared. "Life's nice and I'm enjoying being with Meg and Zen. I've watched a few highlights of the races, but the interest has pretty much completely gone." Asked if the birth of his first child played any part in his decision, Beattie said, "I felt like I could've done what (Wayne) Rainey did and raced with a newborn son, and have it not bother me. But I was pretty much sick of racing, so, fortunately, it (retirement and fatherhood) has all fallen into the same pile."

While his interest in riding may have waned, Daryl Beattie is sure to watch an intriguing 1998 championship unfold, and predicts **Mick Doohan** will come back from his first-race DNF and capture his fifth straight crown. "The race at Johor was quite interesting. I thought

maybe (Max) Biaggi would get the better of Mick, but it was really nice to see when Mick got past Max. It's probably the best that I've seen Mick ride. He looked a lot more aggressive than he has for a long, long time, and he was starting to move around a bit. Not that the bike was sliding around, but you could see his body language really working on the bike, and he looked great. I'll say it again: I think I'll be surprised if he doesn't win the championship this year."

World Sports Imports' **Rodney Fee** has won both of the Sturdy Oil and Sunoco Fuels 125cc Grand Prix Exhibition races, held at Willow Springs International Raceway on April 26 and at Sears Point Raceway on May 3. **Vicky Jackson-Bell** finished second both times out, with Roland Sands and Mark Foster splitting third-place finishes at the two events. The final round of the three-race series will be held in conjunction with the World Superbike race at Laguna Seca, July 11-12.

Two suburbs of Chicago are fighting over the property on which the old **Santa Fe Speedway** sits, according to reports in the Chicago Tribune. Santa Fe Speedway, which used to host a round of the AMA Grand National Championship and other motorsport events, has been closed down for nearly three years. A development company is hoping to transform the 101-acre site into a residential community, but a border war between the communities of Burr Ridge and Willow Springs has ensued because of the proposal. Regardless of which community gets its way, the Santa Fe Speedway will be destroyed. The story from the Tribune was sent to us by subscriber Curt Krause, who wrote: "I've been going there since I was a kid in the '60s, watching (Carroll) Resweber, (Pat) McHenry and (Dick) Mann race there on Wednesday nights. When I was older, I too had the bug to race at Santa Fe and many memories linger even today. The area was way out of the way in the '60s, but today it's a place for the wealthy to live. The paper tells the story: Goodbye, Santa Fe." The last AMA Grand National Championship event to be held at the Santa Fe Speedway was a TT in 1987. The race was won by the late Steve Eklund.

The newly formed **Riverside Old Timers' Motocross Association** is now

Tortelli puts a stop to Everts

Going into the Belgian round of the 250cc World Motocross Championship, defending champion Stefan Everts had won each of the previous four overalls. That streak was stopped in Leuven on May 10 as Kawasaki's Sebastien Tortelli (right) beat Everts in both motos to capture the overall win.

In the first moto, Tortelli beat Everts by 17.727 seconds; in the second moto, the Frenchman beat the Belgian by 24.125 seconds - two decisive wins in one day. Everts, though, still leads the championship by 12 points over his rival, 181-169.

Third place on the day in the Belgian Grand Prix went to Honda-mounted Pit Beirer with a 4-3 tally while Suzuki's Maricq Bervoets claimed fourth place via his 3-4 finishes. American Tallon Vohland ended up with an 11-6 tally from the two motos and now lies fourth in the championship point standings with 95 points.

In 500cc World Motocross Championship action, Husaberg's Joel Smets and Yamaha's Andrea Bartolini swapped wins and second-place finishes in round four, held in Vasteras, Sweden, on May 10.

"I have to admit that I got tired in the last few laps," Bartolini said after the second moto. "I would have been taking too many

risks to stay in front. I knew that I would still be equal top-points scorer on the day if I finished second, so it was wiser to settle for that. There is still a long way to go in the championship and I am now much closer to the points leader again."

Bartolini won the first moto by some eight seconds over Smets, with the Belgian coming back to take moto two by just a second and a half over the Italian. Third place in both motos went to Yamaha's Peter Johansson.

After four rounds, Husavarna's Daryll King, fourth overall in Sweden, leads the championship over Smets, 119-111. Bartolini is third with 98 points, just six clear of his teammate Johansson.



accepting applications for membership. The newest chapter of the International Old Timers' Motocross Association will be serving the Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange and San Diego Counties of Southern California with a format of motocross racing for senior riders. For more information, call 909/279-6647 or 714/996-8327.

Here are the results from the **KTM Jr. Supercross Challenge** that took place at the AMA Supercross Series round in **Las Vegas, Nevada**, May 2: 1. Bruce Rutherford; 2. Drew Gosselaar; 3. Brayden Butterfield; 4. Richard Sterling; 5. Travis Leavitt; 6. Hayden Commans; 7. John Baltas; 8. Matthew Dormack; 9. Bradley Pace; 10. Kyle Smith; 11. Chad Osburn; 12. Andrew Lovino; 13. Melissa Doiron; 14. Trevor Royer; 15. Chance Foley; 16. Travis Campbell; 17. Kevin Kellett; 18. Heather Murphy.

American Motorcycle Institute, a division of AMI Inc., has announced an affiliation between the SuperFlow Corporation and AMI for all AMI dyno operations, including the annual Brute Horsepower Shootout that is held in Daytona Beach, Florida, during Bike Week. Because of the SuperFlow involvement, AMI is expanding its dyno motorcycle facility to 1000 square feet. According to AMI, the alliance between AMI and SuperFlow will "create the most advanced, innovative curriculum available for motorcycle dyno training being taught today anywhere in the United States."

The Double Tree Hotel-Bradley International in Windsor Locks, Connecticut, formerly the Holiday Inn, has been designated the official race headquarters for the AMA 125/250cc Motocross National, scheduled for June 13-14 at **Motocross 338** in Southwick, Massachusetts. For more information, call 860/627-5171.

CN Publishing currently has two **job openings**. *Cycle News* is looking for an advertising salesperson to work out of its Atlanta, Georgia, office and *Personal Watercraft Illustrated*, CN Publishing's monthly personal watercraft magazine, is searching for an assistant editor. Sales experience and a willingness to travel are a must for the sales job. A strong background and/or an understanding of the personal watercraft industry is required for the assistant editor position, and a journalism or English degree

is preferred. Resumes for the sales position can be faxed to 770/934-3112. Resumes for the editorial position can be faxed to 714/436-9577.

With a goal of reviving the **Sidcar World Cup**, the FIM Executive Board has ratified, on an experimental basis and under the responsibility of the International Sidcar Racing Association, the following amendments to the rules: "A new sidcar outfit, with the driver in a sitting position, has been accepted to take part in the World Cup. The participation of this outfit is on an experimental basis and thus will not be classified nor will receive prize money; in order to fill the grid for the 1998 season, the participation will be open to sidcar outfits with engines over 550cc up to 1200cc, four-stroke, four-cylinders maximum, which are in use at the National level in various countries like Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Denmark, France and Great Britain." The following is the 1998 racing calendar for the Sidcar World Cup: Salzburgring, Austria - May 17; Assen, Holland - June 27; Donington Park, England - July 5; Most, Czech Republic - July 12; Oschersleben, Germany - August 9; Brno, Czech Republic - August 23; Rijeka, Croatia - September 27.

Kawasaki Team Green is offering pit support for the upcoming Best in the Desert **Silver State 300**, June 26-28. The fee is \$195 and limited space is available. For more information, call 714/770-0400, ext. 2222.

Showcase Bike Night takes its show on the road on Thursday, May 21 to the Big Horn Restaurant & Ram Brewing Company in Lake Oswego, Oregon. Team Muzzy will be on hand, displaying its Raptor motorcycle. For more information, call FS Productions at 949/573-4993.

Former World Superbike Champion **Carl Fogarty** is scheduled to take part in a shootout with Formula One car racer **Eddie Irvine** and his Ferrari F-1 car. Fogarty will be aboard his Ducati 916 superbike. The shootout will take place at Misano in Italy.

Hot on the heels of Mick Doohan recently taking a spin (literally) in Jacques Villeneuve's Williams Formula One car comes news that **Max Biaggi** will get a test ride in Michael Schumacher's Ferrari later this year at Ferrari's test facility in Mugello, Italy.

The **1998 CZ MX Championship** will be held at Carlsbad Raceway in Carlsbad, California, on May 31, featuring stock and modified classes. The Modified class is open to any CZ-powered motorcycle. Motorcycles entered in the Stock class must be AHRMA-legal. For more information, call 619/279-8552.

The **Ghostriders Motorcycle Club**, an off-highway organization with members from throughout the San Jose, Hollister and San Francisco Bay areas, presented a check for \$4000 to the Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital in Hollister, California, during a recent ceremony at the hospital. The club raised the money over a three-month period by selling raffle tickets for a new Kawasaki KLX650 that was provided by GP Sports in San Jose and Grand Prix Cycles in Santa Clara. Greg Nichols purchased one ticket and won the motorcycle.

The Ramada Inn on Route 8 in New Hartford, New York, has been named the official race headquarters for the **AMA 125/250cc National Motocross** scheduled for July 18-19 at Unadilla. The Ramada Inn is located some 28 miles from the track. For reservations, call Michele Smith at 315/735-3382.

The **AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days** will take place July 10-12 at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio. The event will feature three days of AHRMA competition, including dirt track, road racing, motocross and trials. Three-time AMA Superbike National Champion **Reg Pridmore** will serve as the event's grand marshal.

When Texan **Colin Edwards II** won the Italian round of the World Superbike Championship in Monza on May 10 (see our coverage on page 14), he became the 34th rider in the history of the championship to score a victory. Edwards had finished second four times and third six times but had never won a round in his previous three seasons in the World Superbike Series. Edwards' two wins in Italy were the 67th and 68th wins in the series for an American, with the United States heading the all-time win list over England, which has 49 total victories. The Texan's two wins on the Castrol Honda were also Honda's 38th and 39th victories in World Superbike racing - but they still trail Ducati by 95 race wins.

Ty Davis (Yam) emerged as the overall winner at the 28th annual Virginia City Grand Prix in Nevada on May 10. **Destry Abbott** (Kaw) finished second, while local **Shane Esposito** (Yam) and multi-time Virginia City GP winner **Larry Roeseler** finished third and fourth on 125s. **Brain Brown** (Kaw) rounded out the top five overall.

OPENED: Trackmaster Racing Frame's home page on the World Wide Web. The site can be found at the following address: <http://www.flattrack.com/trackmaster.html>.

RESCHEDULED: The rained-out April 26 half mile dirt track at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Springfield, Ohio, to July 12. For more information, call Championship Racing Enterprises at 937/434-7750.

RESCHEDULED: The Chaparrals MC's Alpine Trails dual sport ride, scheduled for May 17 at Jawbone Canyon in Southern California, to June 14, due to snow. For more information, call 562/804-4071.

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AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At Honda of Modesto in Modesto, California, on May 15 at 6:30 p.m. Team Honda FMF riders Scott Sheak, Brock Sellards, Jason McCormick, David Pingree and Danny Smith are scheduled to appear. For more information, call 209/529-5424.

RESCHEDULED: The VDTRA National at Tulsa Speedway in Tulsa, Oklahoma, from its original date of April 26 to May 31. For more information, call 918/836-6999.

AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At Cycle Gear in Sacramento, California, on May 15 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Team Factory Connection/Jack in the Box's Mike LaRocco and Team Moto XXX's Mike Metzger, Michael Brandes, Paul Currie, Brian Deegan and James Eickel are scheduled to appear. For more information, call 916/488-7977.

CORRECTION: The YZF600R's best lap time as published in "Showdown" (Issue #17, May 6) was not its best lap. The time should have been 1:54.2.

OPENED: Accu-Products/202 Racing Inc.'s home page on the World Wide Web. The site can be found at the following address: www.accu-mix.com.

CORRECTION: John Williams is the second rider for Team Otherside Racing.

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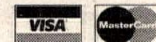
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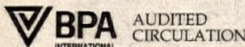
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No sidecars

I raced at Laguna Seca in the Sidecar class. As I hope you know, we had one of the biggest turnouts in years with 23 sidecars on the grid for Sunday's race.

Yet in your coverage of the Laguna Seca race (Issue #16, April 29) there was no mention that I could find. We had many spectators down there and I just got a call from one of them asking me why *Cycle News* didn't even list the results from our race of the sidecar event.

All I could say is that things have changed greatly since I was on the cover of *Cycle News* back in 1981 for winning the Long Beach GP sidecar race. Sidecar racing is making a serious comeback here in the United States and to find no mention of our event in your newspaper is strange since you have always been the number-one place to find the latest news in motorcycling.

I hope you have been informed that we will be holding two more National events this year - at Elkhart Lake and Laconia during the AMA Superbike weekends. Since many people race many different types of motorcycles, I hope the future results of Sidecar Racers Association events, at least the Nationals, be listed in your paper.

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We never saw any results from the sidecar event prior to leaving Laguna Seca at 5 p.m. on Sunday night. Please make sure that your organization sends us results by our Monday deadline and you'll see the results in the paper... Editor.

Support your own

For years I have enjoyed riding my motorcycle and have agonized at the loss of riding areas while also watching the growing restrictions on motorcycles. As I have written to my various legal representatives, my thoughts have rarely had a sympathetic much less an understanding ear.

Finally, one of our own (actually two of our own) are running for election here in California. Don Amador has filed to run against incumbent Rep. Ellen Tauscher (D) in California's 10th District Congressional race. The 10th District cov-

ers part of Contra Costa County and Alameda County. Amador is a spokesman for the Idaho-based Blue Ribbon Coalition, a "multiple use" group that advocates private property rights and "reform" of the Endangered Species Act, and is also an avid off-roader.

A second person who deserves your money, your vote and your support is David Pickett. David is running for the 5th District Assembly in California (the Sacramento area). He is another avid rider. He is the sanction steward and a member of the board for AMA District 36 for the past five years. He is also a life member of both the AMA and District 36.

Now is the time for everyone in California to lend his or her support - letters and money. It doesn't matter that they are not in your area; the fact that the motorcycle community is committed to supporting them will help carry weight and surely influence their decisions and others' far beyond their jurisdiction.

For everyone who does not reside in California, now is your chance to let politicians know across the United States that the motorcycle community is watching and will put its support behind issues and people it believes in. The fate of the motorcycle community here in California certainly has an impact all across the United States - so please help show that we are behind our own by making your financial commitment, too.

Chris Carter
Menlo Park, CA

For more information on Don Amador's campaign, write to P.O. Box 2753, Antioch, CA 94531-2753, or phone 925/431-8405. For information on Pickett's campaign, write to 9521 Greenback Lane, Sta. D, Folsom, CA 95630, or phone 916/989-1420... Editor.

Frame up

I just read your 600cc sportbike comparison test and I think you guys are way off base. First of all, a CBR600F3 chassis is antique compared to the new-generation chassis on the Kawasaki ZX6R. I should inform you that I have owned two CBRs and both the first-generation ZX6R and the 1998 ZX6R I now ride.

Whenever you really push a CBR in race conditions, the frame tries to tie itself up in knots. Even Miguel DuHamel and Steve Crevier have said "you have to ride a CBR loose." Forks can be revalved, guys, but a mild steel frame is forever.

The 600cc Supersport race results back up my claims - Kawasaki 3, Suzuki 1 and Honda absolutely zero. The Kawasaki and Suzuki rock.

Jon Klein
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Make that Kawasaki 3, Suzuki 1 and Honda 1... Editor.

Another Willow fan

What a deal. For \$30 you get in for three days of riding and racing, not to mention a program and free camping on Friday and Saturday nights. The staff at Willow Springs is great, with no hassles from anyone - whether in the pits or partying at night. If they do this again next year, I'll be there for sure. I might even shine on Laguna Seca.

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No Larry fan

I just read the comments from Larry Pegram about Willow Springs International Raceway (Issue #17, May 6). It's not the race track, it's the wind and the heat. Pomona is a parking lot, not a race track. Larry, maybe next time you should try riding like it's a race track instead of riding like it's a parking lot.

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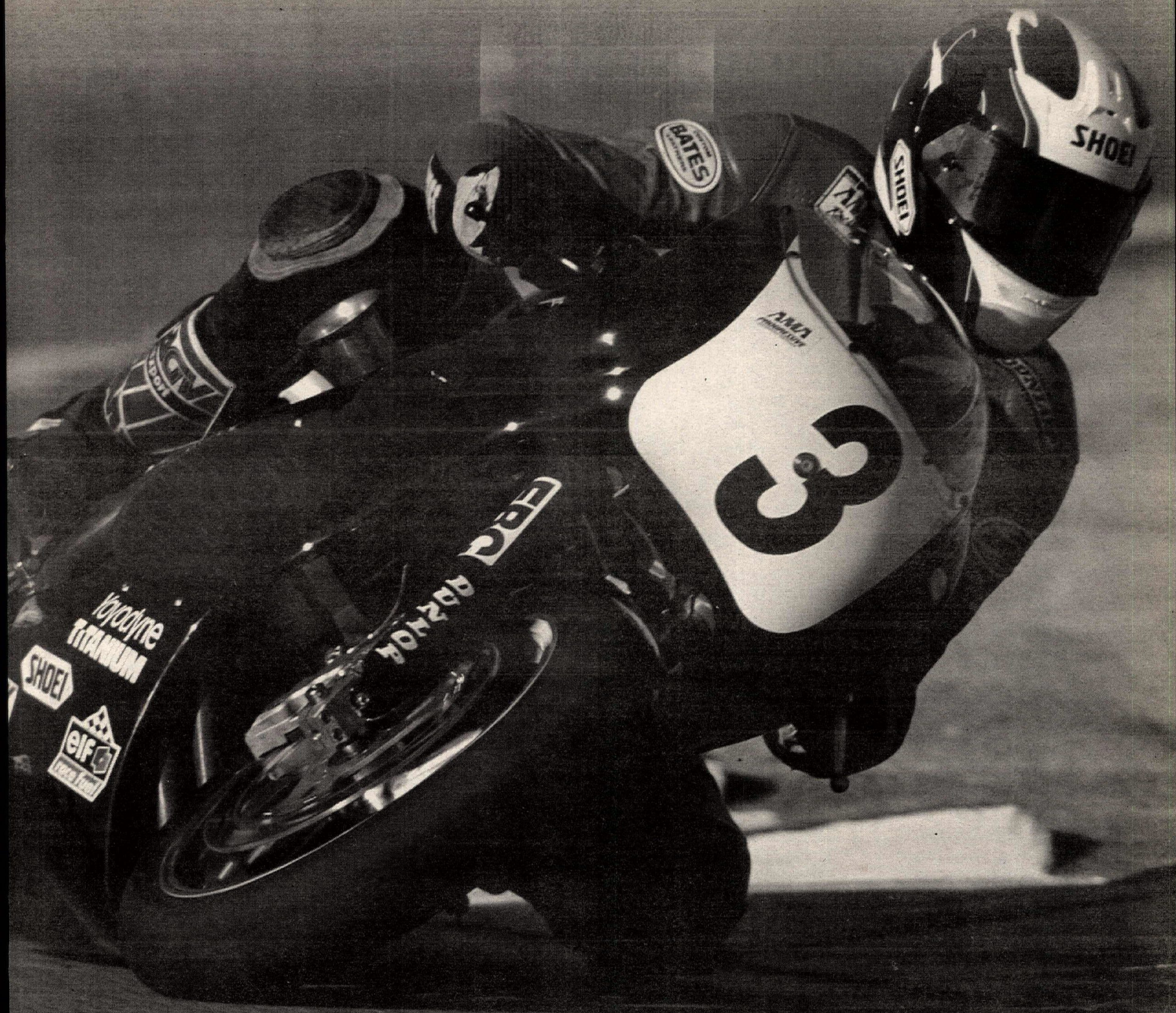
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First-timers win big: Both Mickael Pichon and Colin Edwards II won for the first time in their respective series this weekend. Photos by Kinney Jones and Gold & Goose.



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Round 1: Glen Helen Raceway Park

Pichon surprises



By Kit Palmer
Photos by Kinney Jones

New series, new faces. That seemed to be the theme song for the opening round of the Mazda Trucks AMA National Championship 250cc MX Series at Glen Helen Raceway Park, as Team Suzuki's Mickael Pichon - who did not finish on the podium until the final race of the 16-round AMA Supercross Series the previous week at Las Vegas - surprised everyone with a second-moto runaway win that ultimately gave the RM250 rider the overall victory. That win, combined with a strong fifth-place finish in the first moto, was just enough to edge out recently crowned AMA Supercross Champion Jeremy McGrath, on the Chaparral/1-800-COLLECT/Mazda Yamaha YZ250, for the overall win in front of an estimated 12,000 spectators. Both riders matched points on the day, with Pichon going 5-1 and McGrath 1-5, but by virtue of his better placing in the second moto, Pichon got the nod. Both riders won their respective motos in convincing fashion.

What made Pichon's win perhaps even more surprising was that this was his very first ride on a 250 other than in supercross. As you can imagine, Pichon was thrilled to have won.

"Ah, I can't believe it, I can't believe," Pichon said. "My first outdoor National - I came here this morning, I said, 'Okay, you get two top fives and it's going to be great,' and to get first - yeah! At first I didn't know I won the



overall - I knew I was on the podium, but -

"The first moto was pretty good," he added. "It was a good and strong moto. The second moto, I pulled the holeshot, and I was pulling one second a lap (on the pack). I couldn't believe I was pulling away like this. I've never even won a 125cc National - I've been riding three years in the 125cc class, the best was a second one time - here today, first

race on a 250, I win. The Suzuki was working great; we went 1-2-3 and that means something."

McGrath opened the series off with an impressive win in the first moto. Suzuki rider Kyle Lewis was leading early on until McGrath took over for good. The Supercross Champion then opened up a huge lead that he basically maintained to the finish. A terrible first lap in the second moto that saw him go down twice, however, effectively cost McGrath the win, as he came out on the short end of the stick of a thrilling four-way battle for second through fifth.

"I'm happy with my first moto," McGrath said of his day. "It's been a year since I won a National moto. It showed me that I'm ready, and I want to win as bad as I ever have. It was good. My Chaparral Yamaha is working good, I'm confident those guys aren't going to be there every week, so whatever the points may be right now, it's no big deal. I'm confident I can go next week and win."

Finishing third overall and coming within a pass of taking the overall was Mike LaRocco on the Factory Connection/Jack in the Box Honda CR250. LaRocco looked like the LaRocco of old, as he made a couple of dramatic passes on the treacherous Glen Helen downhill and nearly pulled off the overall win. LaRocco slipped by Team Yamaha's Kevin Windham on the last lap of the first moto to take second and was at one point running in a position to take the overall in the second moto - only to be passed by Team Suzuki's Greg Albertyn and Larry Ward and finish fourth. Even though he just missed out on the win, he did capture a very confidence-boosting third overall.

"It didn't really turn out the way I wanted it to, but I felt good," LaRocco said. "I felt fast; maybe next week. I made a mistake and let Ward by me - that's what cost me today."

(Above left) Team Suzuki's Mickael Pichon (16) snared the holeshot in the second 250cc National moto ahead of Kevin Windham (8), Ezra Lusk (3), Jeremy McGrath (2), Larry Ward (4), Doug Henry (behind Windham) and Mike LaRocco (5). Pichon went on to win the moto and clinch the overall victory with a 5-1.

(Left) Mike LaRocco nearly put his Factory Connection/Jack in the Box Honda into the winner's circle. A couple of small mistakes, though, relegated him to a still-impressive third.

Finishing fourth overall was Ward, who was among a trio of riders (Pichon, Ward and Albertyn) who gave Team Suzuki its 1-2-3 sweep in the second moto. Ward came out on top of that intense four-rider battle in the second moto to finish second after finishing sixth in the opener, which netted him fourth overall.

Rounding out the top five overall was Team Yamaha's Doug Henry. Henry, too, was a threat for the overall win, but

a couple of small miscues during the course of the day did the four-stroke rider in. Henry ended up going 4-6.

Albertyn had his hopes for the overall win erased early in the first moto when he got a face full of roost and ran off the track. He awkwardly ended up stuck on the side of a tabletop jump, and by the time he got going again, he was trailing the 40-rider pack. He still caught up to 15th, then went on to finish a promising third in the second moto to salvage that sixth overall.

"I'm really happy the way the second moto turned out," Albertyn said. "I'm very happy for Suzuki. Everybody's been putting in a lot of effort, and it's sure paying off."

Seventh overall went to Honda of Troy's Mike Craig, who posted 9-8 moto finishes, while a still sore Kevin Windham took eighth via a 3-16. Windham, on the factory-backed Yamaha YZ250, rode well in the first moto, ignoring the pain from the injured shoulder that he separated two weeks ago at the Dallas Supercross. Early in the second moto, however, Windham jarred the shoulder, felt a sharp pain, and decided to take it easy the rest of the way. Not wanting to perhaps further injure the shoulder, Windham happily took his 25 points for the day.

Ninth place went to Japanese National MX contender Kyle Lewis, who ran up front for most of the first moto before dropping back to eighth, a position he couldn't quite match in the second moto, finishing 11th. Rounding out the top 10 overall was KTM's Lance Smail with an 11-9.

Eleventh place overall went to Yamaha YZ400F-mounted Doug Dubach (10-10), followed by Team Honda's Ezra Lusk, who suffered crashes in both motos. Yamaha rider Yoshitaka Atsuta (13-14) took 13th overall, while defending 250cc National Champion Jeff Emig salvaged 14th.

Returning to action for the first time since March 14 with a back-and-shoulder-blade injury, Emig jumped into the thick of things right away, grabbing the holeshot in the first moto. Unfortunately for him, he couldn't hold it there for long and gradually faded back to seventh, where he would finish. In the second moto, Emig was again running among the leaders before his motorcycle came to a grinding halt with an expired motor.

Rounding out the top 20 were Jeff Matiasovich (20-12), Shaun Kalos (12-30), Tyler Evans (24-13), Takeshi Koikeda (22-15), Heath Voss (19-17) and Jean-Sebastien Roy (16-31).

MOTO ONE

Under cloudy skies that made for cool temperatures and ideal racing conditions, Emig shot his KX250 into the lead right off the start and led the 40-rider pack off Mount St. Helens - a steep, long, rough and extremely fast downhill located about a quarter of the way into the lap. Right behind the defending champ were Lewis, McGrath, Koikeda, Ward, Windham, Henry, Lusk and Pichon.

Albertyn got off to a terrible start, and things would only get worse for the former World champ. On the second lap, Albertyn went flying off the track and got stuck on the side of a hill.

"I was so mad," Albertyn said. "I had roost in my face and just hit one bump the wrong direction, and that was it. Before I knew it, I was off the track with banners in my wheel, so that obviously cost me a lot."

On the same lap, Lusk went down, and both Lusk and Albertyn pulled up the rear.

"I landed in a soft spot on the track and crashed so hard that it knocked my gas cap off," Lusk said, "so I had to pull over and put in back on. I was way back behind the whole pack."

Meanwhile, up front and heading into the third lap, both Lewis and McGrath had gotten around Emig, making the top running order Lewis, McGrath, Emig, Ward, Henry, Windham, Pichon and Craig. LaRocco was back in 10th.

Lewis' moment of glory lasted a little over a lap, when McGrath double-jumped by the Suzuki rider and into the lead. McGrath quickly started pulling away from Lewis and a freight train of riders: Emig, Windham, Ward, Henry, Pichon, Craig and LaRocco, who were all within a bike length of each other.

By the halfway point, McGrath enjoyed a four-second lead over Lewis, who still had some breathing room over a pair of dueling Yamaha riders - Henry and Windham. These two riders mixed it up for a while until Windham slipped by Henry and started to reel in Lewis. A couple of laps later, Windham caught and passed Lewis, as did Henry; then Henry repassed Windham. From that moment on, Henry had nothing on his mind but to catch McGrath and he went after him.

"We were about 15 seconds behind Jeremy," Henry said. "Then we started catching him. Then I got around Kevin, and I think we caught up to about six seconds (on McGrath). I was just pushing it; I was going to try to catch him (McGrath), and I figured there were a few laps left and felt really strong and good. Then I just went a little too wide in this one turn, the back tire went over the berm, and I fell just a little bit. Windham and LaRocco got by me."

By the two-lap sign, McGrath was still in command, but the rider on the move now was LaRocco, who earlier had slipped by Craig, Ward, Pichon, Emig and Lewis. Then both Windham and LaRocco rode around Henry when he bobbed.

At this point, LaRocco's next target was Windham and, on the last lap, he made a daring pass on the Yamaha rider down Mount St. Helens to take over second.

When the checkered flag came out, it was McGrath with about nine seconds on LaRocco, followed by Windham, Henry, Pichon, Ward, Emig, Lewis, Craig and Dubach. Lusk and Albertyn crossed the finish line in 14th and 15th.

"It was just a good, smooth race," McGrath said.

"I thought I would start fading back, but when I saw that I wasn't, I put everything I had into the one moto," said third-placed Windham.

"I was eighth or ninth off the start," Ward said of his sixth-place ride. "I got by a couple of guys; then I just got hung up, rode a little tentative and followed some guys who weren't taking very good lines. That just slowed my pace down. By the time I finally got going, it was too late."

"I felt good being up front," said seventh-placed Emig said. "I was confident, but I was just tight. I didn't have many days of riding up to today. The main thing was that my choice of lines was just terrible - unlike last year here, where I could do no wrong."

MOTO TWO

There was no catching Pichon in the second moto. He roosted his Tony

Berluti-tuned RM250 into the lead and quickly opened up a comfortable lead over the rest of the pack. Pichon was in total control, leaving behind him a lot of close racing of which he wanted no part.

Well into the race, it was clear that Pichon was going to win, barring any crashes or mechanical problems, so his fate for the overall was left in the hands of his teammates Ward and Albertyn, and many of the other top riders.

"Henry was behind me," Pichon said, "and I know Henry is very fast outdoors. His bike is fast on this kind of track, but I was pulling a second a lap - a second a lap. I had some good lines, and after I got away, I said to myself, 'Okay now, just ride your own race and try to be smooth.' When you're by yourself like this, you can see the track better, and you can find some good and new lines all the time."

Elsewhere, a three-way fight broke out early on for second place, involving Henry, Ward and LaRocco. Further back chased Craig, Albertyn, Lance Smail, McGrath, Emig, Dubach and Lusk.

"Larry and I went back and forth a couple of times," Henry said. "I wasn't comfortable with my lines. I should've moved around a little bit more on the track, but I had Larry right on me, so I wasn't able to experiment, so that gave Pichon a chance to get out there. He was riding good. I didn't think he would last as long as he did; I thought he would make some mistakes or something, but he rode good."

Henry, Ward and LaRocco continued to fight hard for a number of laps. At one point, Ward and Henry traded places a couple of times, with Henry holding on to number two. Then LaRocco made his move and got around Ward and suddenly found himself in second when Henry went astray.

"I went off the track," Henry said. "I hit a kicker going up a hill, just got my back wheel over the side, and I thought I was in a lot more trouble. It could've been a lot worse than it was. I lost four positions there."

Just after halfway, Pichon was still out in front by about nine seconds, followed by LaRocco, Ward, Albertyn and McGrath. A little way behind McGrath chased Henry, who had a few bike lengths on Lusk. At this point, LaRocco stood a good chance to win the overall, but a lap later, that would all end as both Ward and Albertyn got by the Honda rider for second and third. Now, Suzuki riders were running 1-2-3.

With four laps remaining, Ward, Albertyn, LaRocco and McGrath were locked in a bitter war - if LaRocco passed Albertyn, LaRocco would take the overall, and the same was true for McGrath if he could pass LaRocco. These four riders stayed within inches of each other down to the wire but no one could make that all-important pass. Actually, McGrath did get by LaRocco at one point but couldn't make the pass stick.

"I got him going up the hill," McGrath said of passing LaRocco, "but he banzaied past me back down the hill. I was like, 'Go ahead, if you're going to do that -.' He did say he loved that downhill - it's gnarly."

Ward held on to second with no more than about a bike length over Albertyn, followed in close succession by LaRocco and McGrath, and this was enough to give Pichon the overall.

"Thank you, Larry," Pichon said.

"I didn't get a good start," Ward said, "but all of a sudden I was in third, and I was like, 'Yeah! I love when you start good in a National. I tried every inside, every outside, everything I could



Jeremy McGrath smoked everyone in the first moto, but an ugly first lap in the second moto effectively cost him the overall. He was still fairly pleased with second overall after going 1-5 on the day.

do, but I just could not get by Henry for at least the first 15 to 20 minutes. Finally, LaRocco got by me, then I said, 'I got to get 'em now, otherwise I'm going to get smoked again.' Then him and LaRocco touched a little bit, he (Henry) went off the side of the track a little bit and I got by him. A lap later, I got LaRocco back. I rode real hard. I tried not to worry about the guys behind me. I kept looking at Mickael - he had a huge lead, but we were catching him big-time. I never looked back; I didn't even know Albertyn had gotten into third. I assumed it was LaRocco because the Honda guys were cheering at the top of hill, but the last couple of laps, they weren't cheering anymore. I just kept charging forward and kept hoping Mickael would fall down on the last lap."

"Honestly, I'm really happy for Suzuki. We've come a long, long way since the beginning of the year."

"It was good team battle," Albertyn said. "It was actually really, really fun. I enjoyed that very much. Obviously, I would've liked to come out on top, but my teammates are riding well."

"I was sitting pretty until we got to the top of Mount St. Helens," McGrath said of his miserable first lap. "Ezra fell and pinned me on the hay bales. I was stuck. I couldn't go anywhere until he got up. I fell back to 10th."

"I lost the front wheel," Lusk said. "I totally fell down and had to restart the bike."

Later that lap, McGrath went down again.

"I swapped a little bit in some ruts and hit my helmet; it moved up and I had no vision," McGrath said. "Me and Albee rode together after that; we had a long way to catch up, and we caught up."

Finishing a distant sixth was Henry, who was closely followed across the finish line by Lusk. Nearly a half-lap back in eighth came Craig, then Smail, Dubach, Lewis and Matiasovich.

"I had a good start, but me, Ezra and McGrath came together (on the first lap)," said Windham, who ended up 16th in that moto. "Whenever I hit Ezra, it ripped the bars out of my hand, and there was kind of a sharp pain for a while, so I just rode around in like 40th."

Emig did not finish the race.

"I blew my start - just lit it up," Emig said. "But when I got around some of the guys, it (the motor) started going."

But the man of the hour was Pichon.

"I tried very hard," Pichon said. "My first race, I thought I might get tired - I've been training really hard - but I didn't get tired at all. Even at the end I was pulling away, except for the last two laps, I was so pumped. Those last two laps, I was just riding around, I was so happy."

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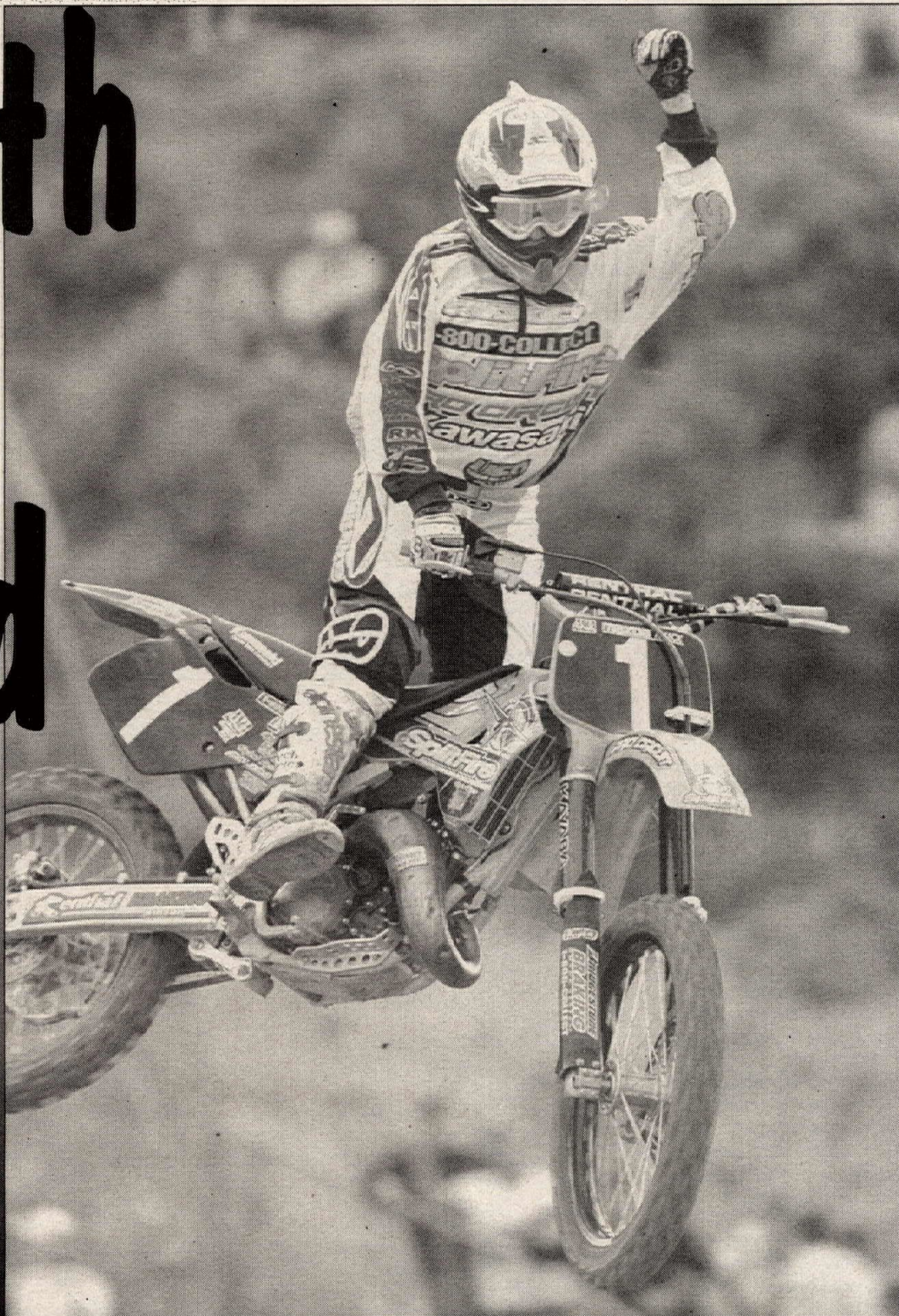
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Depth of field



By Eric Johnson
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On a cool, windswept, gray day in Southern California, lightning struck twice. For the second consecutive year, Team SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki rider Ricky Carmichael executed another resounding two-moto stomp-off, which saw him run off and hide from the nation's premier 125cc MX pilots.

Aboard his potent Mitch Payton-masterminded, Chad Watts-tuned Kawasaki KX125, Carmichael dazzled an estimated 12,000 spectators who filled the bleachers and clung to the manzanita-covered hillsides of Glen Helen Raceway. Through gating well in both motos, "R.C." quickly found his way to the front and, for all intents and purposes, was never headed in the first AMA 125cc National of 1998. Thrilled to be able to pick right back up where he left off in 1997, Carmichael, who has yet to lose a race in 1998, is riding the same powerful wave of momentum which led him to his first AMA National Championship last summer.

"I felt good, really good," Carmichael said. "I feel great that I holed out the second moto. Man, now I'm ready for next weekend. This is my deal. I love outdoor motocross, so I'm happy to have done so well here. However, I know it won't be easy this year. Dowdy (John Dowd) is a tough rider and Lammy (Steve Lamson) is a good rider - they are all tough riders, but, in reality, it's all about getting a good start and riding smart."

Following Carmichael home in both motos for second overall was the venerable John Dowd. Dispatched to the 125cc class in 1998 by his Yamaha bosses, the multi-time AMA 250cc National winner, who is coming off an impressive supercross season, showed all the speed and tenacity required to keep Carmichael honest in 1998.

"Yeah, actually I'm pretty happy with the day," Dowd said. "I wasn't really sure what to expect coming in here, since I rode the 250s last year. I wasn't sure how I was going to be on a 125 - I didn't have a lot of confidence. I was also kind of sick this week, so I didn't really do any training or anything. I was hoping I would have enough energy to make it through the day, but I felt pretty good."

"I was surprised I made it through the motos that strong," he added. "I'm pretty happy. If I can get a little more relaxed next week and start building on my confidence - because I think I was just a little bit off the pace of Ricky, and a few of the other guys were pretty fast - so I think if I can chill out a little bit and build up my speed and confidence, I'll be able to tighten up the gap. However, I really need to get good starts. Ricky is so fast out there and if he gets out front and I'm back a few spots, I don't think there's going to be much of a chance to catch him. But if I can pull off some good starts, I think my Yamaha with the Bridgestone tires is a good combination, and that's the first thing to take care of - a good start. I know I have the conditioning and the speed to run the pace, I just need to work on the little things."

Pulling consistent 4-4 moto scores for third overall was Team Chaparral/Yamaha rider Jimmy Button. A longtime journeyman racer who has experienced success in both the United States and Europe aboard 125cc motorcycles, Button guided his visibly powerful Yamaha to a well-earned podium finish.

"It was a pretty good day," reasoned Button. "I wish I would have gotten a better start in the first moto and not crashed and slid out; if that wouldn't have happened, I think I would have gotten third for sure in the first moto. Then, in the second moto, I got a good start, made a little bit of a mistake in the second corner and let quite a few people get around me, but I worked my way up and got into third behind Dowd and then just had a horrendous get-off in the back. I flipped over the fence and jumped back over it - I guess, being tall, I was able to jump back over the fence pretty easily and went four-four for third overall, and that's what I wanted to come away with this weekend: a podium finish. I rode well, and that's the most important thing. I just need to get out of the gate with that little sucker (Carmichael). He comes out of the gate good, and you can't give him any advantages, because you know he is going to be good the whole race - you can't give him five feet to start with because he'll take a mile. I'm glad I did as well as I did. I think a lot of people blew me off before the season - 'the big guy coming in on the 125.' I think I

(Top) Ricky Carmichael opened up the 125cc National MX Series by blowing everyone away, winning both motos with ease.

(Above) The other 39 riders got a good look at Carmichael's holed out in the second moto. John Dowd (9), Casey Johnson (20), Buddy Antunez (26), and Ryan Huffman (28) give chase.

silenced a few critics today. The bike is excellent. Kel Carruthers did an awesome job. He's been working his ass off, trying to get some more horsepower out of it. I think in the next few weeks we're going to have an even better combination than we do now."

Damaged finger and all, Team Honda veteran Steve Lamson toiled on to point-salvaging 6-3 moto placings for a valiant fourth-overall finish. After an injury-ravaged 1997 campaign in the division, the former AMA 125cc National Champion is keen to reclaim his title, and Team Honda has circled the wagons and mobilized their substantial resources in order to make his wish come to true.

"It actually went pretty well, considering the circumstances," Lamson said. "Wednesday I didn't even think I would be riding because my finger was in such bad shape, so swollen and so sore. But I've been working with this guy who does orthopedic medicine, who gives me injections for the joint. It worked out pretty good."

"The second moto was good," he continued. "I got a decent start, and I could ride pretty hard, but the finger really started hurting pretty bad at the halfway mark. The finger is just so tender that if I move it in any way, it really hurts. Realistically, I was a second or two a lap off the pace. It's hard being injured. Mentally, I'm strong, and I know I can ride good, but it's really hard for me now, especially on a rough track like this. I was surprised with everyone's speed. I knew they were going to be fast, but when I get totally healthy, I'll be right in there. I want to win the championship back this year - that's my main goal. I wish I could have started off better today, but it could have been a lot worse."

Fifth on the day was Team FMF/Honda/Thor/DeMarini/Cytomax/Quicksilver fashion plate David Pingree. Bedecked in "old school" 1970s-era FMF yellow-and-red race clothing (see Briefly...) - which was a huge hit with the Glen Helen throng - Pingree led his similarly attired teammates to the finish in both motos, thus garnering a solid, season-opening 35-point haul.

"I felt really good," Pingree said. "I almost had a chance there to end up on the podium with my first-moto finish, but I didn't get the start I needed in the second moto. I rode my best and ended up with a fifth overall, so that's a pretty good way to start the year off. It's the best I've ever started the season, and I feel really good and the bikes are great. I want to keep trying my best and give it everything I've got in every race."

And what of the red-and-yellow fashion statement he and his comrades made at Glen Helen? "It was cool," he said. "It's just a one-time deal for this race, but being the anniversary of the (Honda) Elsinore and all that, it was real cool. It was fun, and the gear was fun to wear. I remember seeing the gear in pictures when I was a kid, so it was pretty fun to be wearing it."

After the marketing manager of Mazda Trucks - the series sponsor - gave the command for the riders to "start (their) engines" and after the dropping of the gate, it was Team Yamaha's John Dowd who enjoyed the best jump off the concrete Glen Helen starting pad. Dowd led the hornets' nest of buzzing 125s through the first turn and up the first of many ominous, power-robbing uphill that lined the Glen Helen circuit. Stalked by Team FMF's David Pingree, Carmichael, Team Primal Impulse/Suzuki/Bill's Pipes' rider Jiri Dostal, and TMR/Lemonds Yamaha rider Rob-

(Right) Team Yamaha's John Dowd was the only rider to give Carmichael at least a little bit of concern. Dowd went 2-2 for second overall.

(Below) Chaparral Yamaha's Jimmy Button, once again, showed the speed but crashes - one of them pretty hard - hurt his efforts. He still finished third overall.

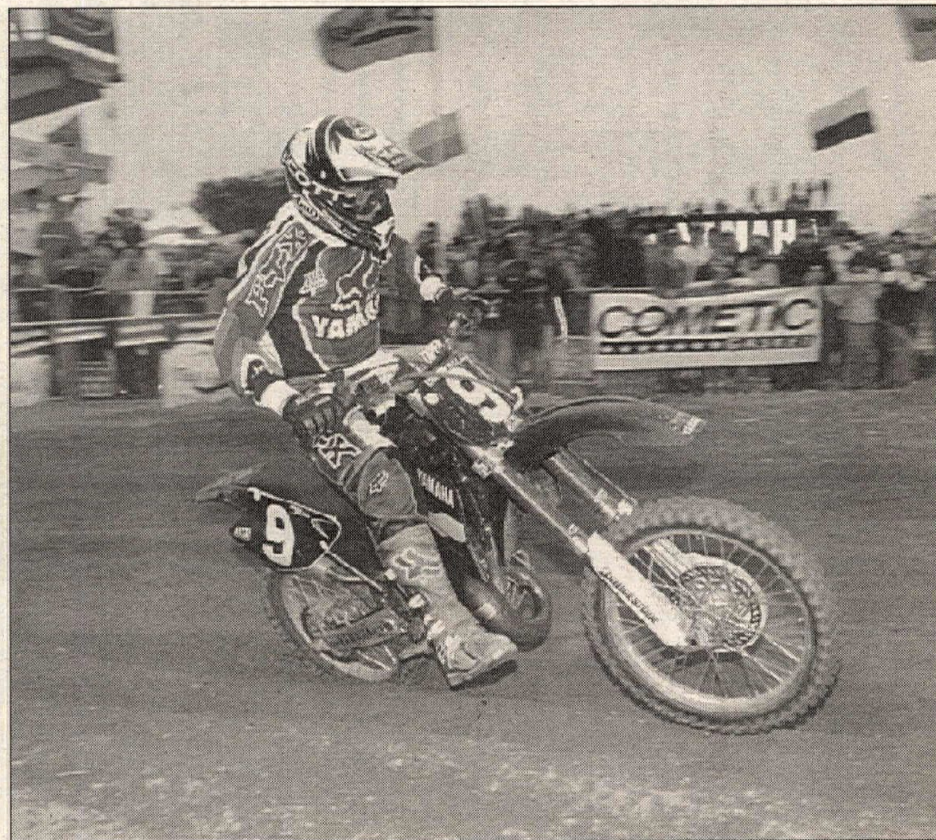


bie Skaggs, Dowd had his Yamaha YZ125 pinned in an attempt to put daylight between himself and the field. Near the close of the second lap, Carmichael put a slick move on Pingree to move into second and immediately set off after Dowd. A few turns later, Carmichael moved right in on the Yamaha rider and began chewing on his blue rear fender before making his move in one of the many bowl turns that lined the infield section. From that point forward, it was full speed ahead as R.C. set full sail and disappeared, pulling, at times, upward of two to three seconds per lap on Dowd.

"In practice, I was kind of unsure of what to do with the bike," admitted Dowd in regard to Carmichael's vanishing act. "We were playing with gearing back and forth, and it's kind of something you do with a 125 a lot more than a 250. It's kind of new to me, going up and down these hills and shifting up and down, just constantly shifting. I went with a combination I thought was going to be the best and just went with it, and it seemed pretty good. Hopefully I can get this kind of stuff figured out in the weeks to come and we can keep Ricky in sight."

Meanwhile, former 250cc Grand Prix campaigner Mike Brown of Team Honda of Troy, Jimmy Button and Steve Lamson were desperately trying to make up for poor starts as they ram-paged through the field in an effort to find daylight at the front. On lap four, the running order was Carmichael, Dowd (who was five seconds adrift), Pingree, Team FMF's Jason McCormick, Team SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's Casey Johnson, and Button, who had blitzed by Brown on the incredibly steep and intimidating Glen Helen downhill. At the 22-minute mark of the 30-minute-plus-two-lap moto, Button moved by Johnson, while Lamson, back in eighth, continued to charge toward the front. Meanwhile, McCormick's Team FMF Honda ground to a halt in the infield after the coil wire had shaken loose.

As the race moved into laps 10, 11 and 12, the front third of the field ran in procession as Carmichael, who was clicking off methodical 2:52 lap times, held the point with a comfortable 12-second lead. In his wake was Dowd,



who in turn had 30 seconds on Pingree, Button, Johnson and Brown.

On the white-flag lap, Lamson placed a spirited move on Brown to take over sixth place. As the checkered flag waved, Carmichael rolled his Kawasaki over the finish line for the win, followed by Dowd, Pingree, Button, Johnson and Lamson.

At approximately 3:30 p.m., the 125cc class began to stage for the second moto. By this time the sky had gone completely gray and the wind had kicked up, putting a pronounced chill in the San Bernardino air. Carmichael, through an excellent jump out of the concrete launching pad, ripped off a clean-cut holeshot, and by the end of the first lap he held a commanding seven-second lead on Team Primal Impulse/Suzuki teammates Ryan Huffman and Buddy Antunez, and Casey Johnson and John Dowd. On lap two, Dowd shrieked by Antunez and desperately attempted to set his sights on Carmichael, who by this time was nothing more than a blip in the distance.

As the race moved toward the 15-minute mark, Button, Lamson and Casey Johnson grouped together into a flying wedge that rolled past Antunez, thus starting a fight for third. On lap 11 of the 14-lap race, Lamson came around in third, with Button, who had experienced the aforementioned miscue, approximately 15 seconds behind in fourth. When the white flag flew, it was Carmichael way out in front and cruising some 15 seconds clear of Dowd. Nineteen seconds further adrift was Lamson, hanging tough in third with a severely tweaked finger; Johnson held down fourth; Pingree fifth; Team Honda of Troy pilot Stephane Roncada sixth; and teammate Casey Lytle seventh. Fast-starter Antunez had been relegated to eighth. They would ultimately hold their positions and finish off the second moto of the 1998 season in that order.

"I didn't think it was going to be so cool here," Carmichael said. "It was a little bit too easy here today, with the cool weather and all. The track was also good; it was rough and choppy, but I liked it. I had fun today and I rode good and smart, so I'm happy."

Fourth-place finisher Jimmy Button was happy to have scored the points after nearly throwing it all away on the

Glen Helen downhill. "The track was good - way better than last year," Button said. "They did a way better job preparing it. I think last year they kind of threw it together a little bit and it deteriorated a little bit. But the track held up good. It was definitely a motocross track today - I mean, it had everything on it. It almost claimed me."

Glen Helen Raceway Park San Bernardino, California Results: May 10, 1998 (Round 1 of 12)

125 MOTO 1: 1. Ricky Carmichael (Kaw); 2. John Dowd (Yam); 3. David Pingree (Yam); 4. Jimmy Button (Yam); 5. Casey Johnson (Kaw); 6. Steve Lamson (Hon); 7. Mike Brown (Hon); 8. Robbie Reynard (Suz); 9. Nick Wey (Kaw); 10. Stephane Roncada (Hon); 11. Jiri Dostal (Suz); 12. Travis Preston (Suz); 13. Robbie Horton (KTM); 14. Casey Lytle (Hon); 15. Brian Deegan (Kaw); 16. Buddy Antunez (Suz); 17. Brock Sellards (Hon); 18. Nathan Ramsey (Kaw); 19. Jeff Willoh (Suz); 20. Tim Ferry (Yam); 21. Barry Carsten (Suz); 22. Scott Sheak (Hon); 23. Rusty Holland (Hon); 24. Greg Schnell (Yam); 25. Robbie Skaggs (Yam); 26. Charlie Bogard (Suz); 27. Dustin Nelson (Yam); 28. Grayson Goodman (Kaw); 29. Robert Naughton (KTM); 30. Dennis Owens (Yam); 31. Doug Parsons (Yam); 32. Jimmy Lamastus (KTM); 33. Danny Smith (Hon); 34. Akira Narita (Hon); 35. Jason McCormick (Hon); 36. Ryan Clark (Kaw); 37. Shae Bentley (Kaw); 38. Steve Andrich (Yam); 39. Erick Vallejo (Kaw); 40. Ryan Huffman (Suz).
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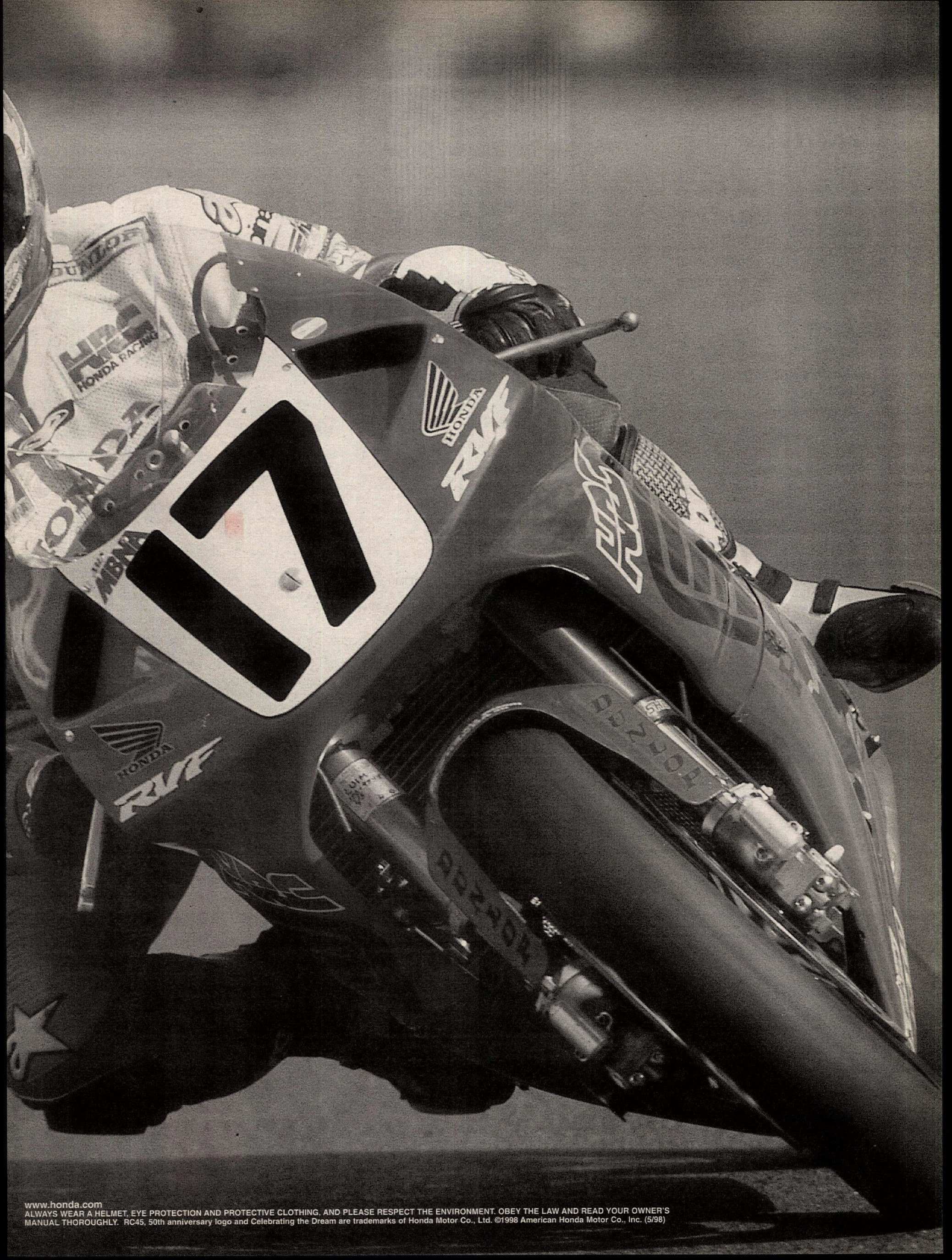
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APPARENTLY HE THOUGHT THE CALIFORNIA STATE FLAG WAS CHECKERED.

You'll have to forgive Honda's Miguel Duhamel if he never learned the state flower either. He was, after all, pretty busy righteously stomping the competition during the whirlwind three-week, three-race AMA Superbike series in California. It started at Laguna Seca on April 19th, when Miguel went wire-to-wire aboard his world-beating RC45™ for his first Superbike victory of the season. He only had to wait seven days for his second. Because at Willow Springs he battled all afternoon in a race where the leaders were never separated by more than a few inches, taking the checkers in the closest finish of the year. And before he could even catch his breath, Miguel moved on to Sears Point. He took control of that race on the fourteenth lap and never looked back, notching the final victory in his sweep. On top of all this, Miguel also left California the points leader in the 600 Supersport class. If he can keep this up for the rest of the season, he might end up surprised by how many other state flags are checkered, too.





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Briefly...

Car Wars: Wanting to capitalize on their investment in the sport, Mazda and their truck line worked in tandem with the AMA to have **Mazda stickers** placed upon the number plates of all motorcycles competing in the AMA National Championship Motocross Series. In theory, the publicity-oriented dictate should have been no problem, but then marketing and manufacturing realities were factored into the equation. Renowned for making world-class automobiles themselves, Honda politely asked if they could be exempt from running the stickers. Allegedly, the AMA agreed and honored the request, thus allowing Honda to leave the stickers off, but still allowing its team riders - namely Ezra Lusk and Steve Lamson - to be eligible for the truck manufacturer's contingency money. Crying foul, Suzuki, who has affixed the stickers to their bikes, also wanted the same arrangement. At press time, the issue was still being debated - heatedly - between Suzuki and AMA officials.

Defending 250cc National champ and last year's Glen Helen winner **Jeff Emig** (right) failed to finish the second moto when his bike quite running early in the race. "The engine let loose," Emig said. "Something inside wasn't happy. It started going, then I went up the second hill where you're just pinned, and it just let go." Despite the DNF, Emig was satisfied with his day. "I'm just glad to be back racing again," he said. "I know I'll get stronger each race. My goal right now is to get stronger for next year, and if I have to use the National championship as a tool to get the goal, that's what I'm going to do. I have a lot more to offer." The muscle that Emig pulled in the area of his upper back and shoulder blade seems to be mostly healed. "It feels fine," Emig said, "but it feels a little tired and weak. I just haven't ridden much lately; today, this was, I think, only my fourth real day on the bike, but I felt pretty good."



"I really like being back on the circuit," said Team Kawasaki mechanic **Jeremy Albrecht**, who (along with his rider, Jeff Emig) has been M.I.A. for a number of weeks - and the subject of some serious muckraking and rumor-mongering. "It's great to be seeing friends again and to be able to put a stop to the rumors that I had been fired. For some reason, everyone thought I had been fired by Kawasaki. When they don't see you, everyone assumes that you are fired. I don't know where these rumors come from. We're doing good. Jeff feels good. He wants to win so bad and prove himself to everyone again."

FMF (right) was certainly out to make its presence felt at Glen Helen. Keen to tap into the brand's substantial amount of history, heritage and equity, FMF dressed its race team in 1970s FMF red-and-yellow racing regalia that oozed of the 1970s. The brainchild of owner Donny Emier and his partner, Danny LaPorte, the red pants, yellow jerseys, two-tone helmets, and red-and-yellow livery of the motorcycles were a huge hit with the Glen Helen crowd. Furthermore, FMF and Honda conspired to display a series of vintage Honda Elsinore 125s. On loan from Las Vegas-based investor Greg Primm, the display featured a 1974, '75, '78, '79, an '80 and an '81 CR125. Glen Helen 250cc National winner Mickael Pichon and his father were among a large group of people staring at the bikes in full-on appreciation. LaPorte said, "The clothes and the bikes are a combination that celebrates the 25th anniversary of the Honda Elsinore and FMF."



Speaking of FMF, 1997 Mount Morris National winner and FMF team rider **Scott Sheak** was finally getting back to racing. Out of action since the GFI Supercross warmup race back in January, Sheak was thrilled to be back on the circuit. "I feel great," he said on Saturday afternoon. "I've been riding for a little over a month and it feels great. I was sitting around for two months, doing nothing but working with my trainer at Peak Performance. Sometimes I think things happen for a reason, because having this break was for the best. I feel better than I ever have and I am totally focused on racing."

The Glen Helen venue - and the dizzying array of corporate signs strewn about the park - was an amazing sign of the health of motocross. Banners touting **Mazda Trucks**, **GTE** phone directories,

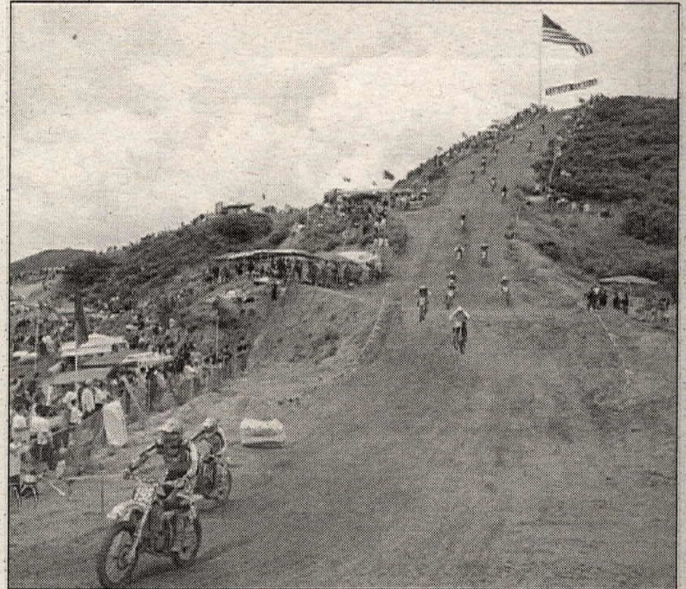


Bud Light and the **Copenhagen Racing Challenge**, which featured a big representation of a tape ruler in front of a huge double jump before the main spectator area, all made the ticket-buying spectator cognizant of their goods and services.

As should be expected, Suzuki team manager **Roger DeCoster** (left) was a happy man following

the 1-2-3 Suzuki sweep by Pichon, Ward and Albertyn in the second moto, and, of course, Pichon's overall win in the 250cc class. "This is the best moment Suzuki has experienced in five years," said the five-time World Motocross Champion.

If there was one place on the Glen Helen track where you didn't want to crash, it was on the Mount St. Helens downhill (right), a long, bumpy, high-speed descent that had many riders on edge. Even 250cc-class winner **Mickael Pichon** was leery of it. "I don't really like this track," Pichon admitted. "It's a good track, but the downhill is scary, and I don't like scary tracks." On the flip side, **Mike LaRocco** loved it. "I just felt really good there," LaRocco said. "My bike was working so good, especially in the first moto. But the track started getting so chopped up that I thought it would be best to stiffen up the suspension. However, we went a little too stiff and I was skittering around too much." One rider did fall down Mount St. Helens and paid the price. In the first 125cc National, **Shae Bentley** cartwheeled off the top and finally came to a stop halfway down the hill. Bentley was taken to the hospital with what was believed to be a broken wrist and a dislocated shoulder.



So how much money did both **Ricky Carmichael** and **Mickael Pichon** take home for their respective wins? Carmichael pocketed \$2000 from the \$15,000 125cc-class purse, and Pichon took home \$1300 of the \$15,000 250cc-class purse. A win in each class pays \$1000 per moto; \$600 for second; \$500 for third; \$350 for fourth; \$300 for fifth; \$290 for sixth, and \$10 less per position down the line to 30th, which pays \$40.

Some of the early preliminary heat-race winners included SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's **Nathan Ramsey**, Team Yamaha's **John Dowd** and Yamaha rider **Doug Parsons** in the 125cc class, and Team Suzuki's **Mickael Pichon**, Honda of Troy's **Mike Craig** and **Ray Crumb** in the 250cc class. The top 10 riders in last year's point standings were automatically seeded into the main events and did not have to ride the qualifiers. Some of those who failed to make the cut at the heavily attended Glen Helen National included such riders as Tony Lorusso, Michael Brandes, Shaun Pero, Josh Demuth, Paul Currie, James Eickel, Pedro Gonzalez and Rich Taylor. Brandes left his 125cc heat race with a possibly broken nose, and Taylor called it a day with a leg injury.

Another rider who did not ride the main events was Team Kawasaki's **Ryan Hughes**. Hughes, who finished seventh in last year's 250cc National MX Series, was still bothered by a knee injury that also kept him out of the supercross finale at Las Vegas. Hughes didn't even bother trying to ride at Glen Helen, choosing to sit it out for at least another week to let his knee heal. Hughes' teammate **Damon Huffman**, who broke his leg a few weeks earlier at the Charlotte Supercross, was on hand at Glen Helen. Hobbling around on crutches, Huffman signed autographs and mingled with fans.

Team Honda's **Steve Lamson** had the finger he had banged up at the Las Vegas Supercross under wraps. "It's okay, but it still hurts," Lamson said before the race. "I bent it at Las Vegas and it's pretty sore." Lamson rode with a plastic hand guard on the right handlebar to help protect the sensitive finger from flying rocks and debris.

The **Green Hills** of San Bernardino, California - normally renowned this time of year for its scenic but burned-out brown hills that constitute a major part of the Glen Helen circuit (below) - were actually covered in green grass. The benefactor of El Nino's torrential rains, the massive green downhill present on the backside of the circuit led one native European to comment, "That hill with its green grass looks like it came from a European Grand Prix circuit." Strange talk in San Bernardino.



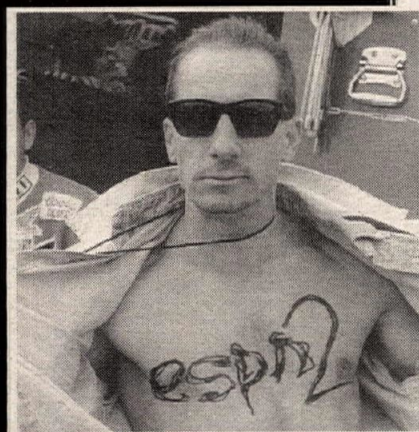
Yamaha of Japan/Holley Racing's **Takeshi Koikeda** made a bet with team manager Jim Holley that if he didn't finish in the top 15, he would cut off all his hair. Holley was waiting for Koikeda in the pits with a pair of scissors after the second 250cc moto. Koikeda's 22-15 netted him 18th overall and a bald head.



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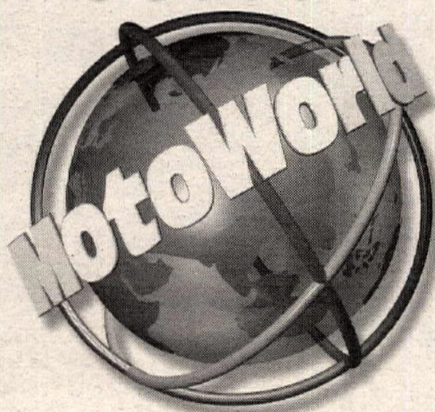
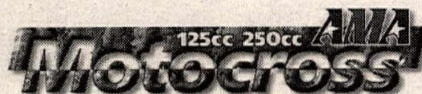
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Date	Eastern Time	Description
5/5/98	3:00 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/7/98	3:00 PM	Charlotte, NC Supercross (R)
5/7/98	6:30 PM	MotoWorld
5/8/98	6:30 PM	MW2 Rev It Up
5/9/98	1:00 PM	Irving (Dallas), TX Supercross
5/9/98	9:30 PM	Irving (Dallas), TX Supercross (R)
5/10/98	2:00 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/10/98	3:30 AM	Irving (Dallas), TX Supercross (R)
5/12/98	5:30 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/14/98	2:00 PM	Irving (Dallas), TX Supercross (R)
5/15/98	11:30 PM	MotoWorld
5/16/98	2:00 AM	MW2 Rev It Up (R)
5/17/98	10:00 AM	MW2 Rev It Up
5/17/98	10:30 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/17/98	11:00 PM	Las Vegas, NV Supercross
5/18/98	2:30 AM	MW2 Rev It Up (R)
5/19/98	3:00 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/19/98	3:00 PM	Las Vegas, NV Supercross (R)
5/22/98	8:00 PM	San Bernardino, CA Motocross
5/22/98	7:30 PM	MotoWorld
5/23/98	12:30 AM	San Bernardino, CA Motocross (R)
5/24/98	9:30 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/27/98	3:30 AM	MotoWorld (R)
5/27/98	4:00 AM	Las Vegas, NV Supercross (R)
5/28/98	6:30 PM	MotoWorld
5/30/98	3:30 AM	San Bernardino, CA Motocross (R)
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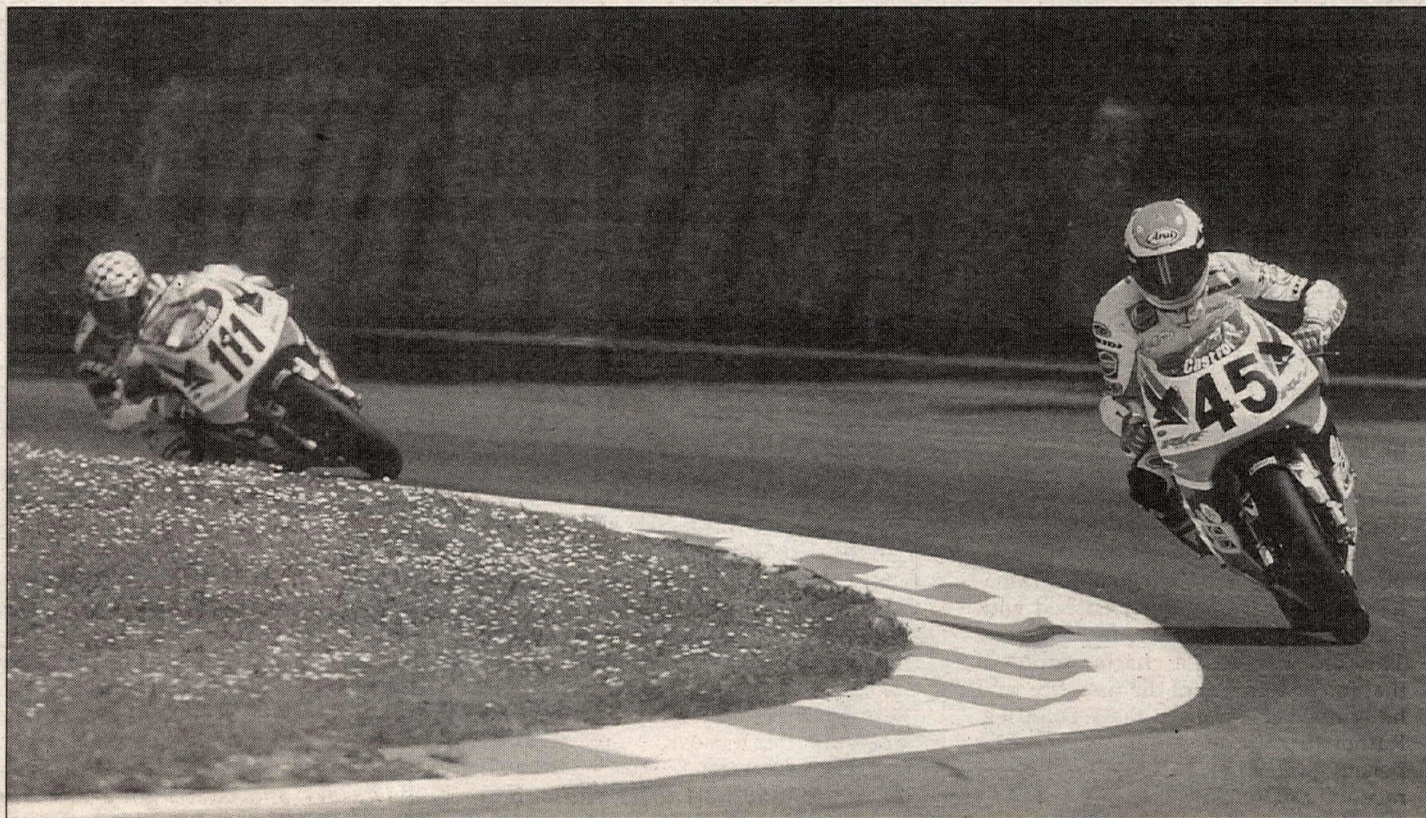
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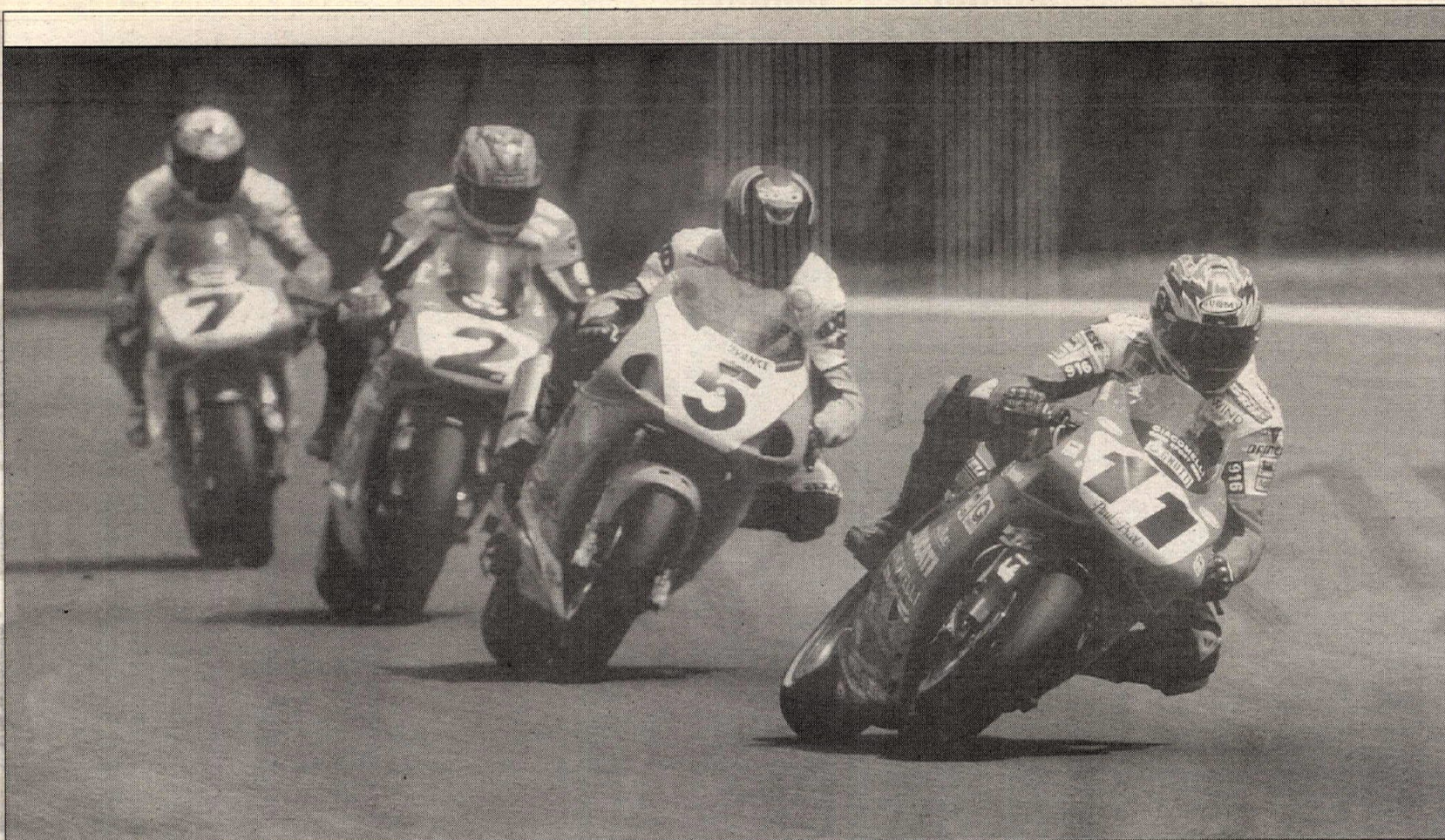
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MONZA, ITALY, MAY 10

"I have cracked the code to ride the RC45 hard," Colin Edwards II said on Friday evening. Two days later, he backed up those words with results. The Texan not only won the first World Superbike race of his career, but he did it all over again just a few hours later in the second leg of the Italian round of the series - sweeping both races in what was easily the most successful day of racing in the young American's life. It was a much-deserved and long-awaited victory for Edwards, who almost saw his career go down the drain just a year ago at Monza when he crashed after being hit by Jean-Philippe Ruggia and suffered a broken wrist. It was an injury that ended up knocking him out of action for the rest of the 1997 World Superbike season.

(Top) Carl Fogarty (2) led the way in both races - but his leads over the factory Hondas were short-lived.
(Right) Colin Edwards II (45) and Aaron Slight (111) take charge.





(Left) The fight for third in the first race was fought out between Troy Corser (11), Neil Hodgson (5), Carl Fogarty (2) and Pier-Francesco Chili (7).

(Below) Edwards (45) leads Corser (11), Fogarty (2) and Slight (111) in the second race. Edwards held on to win both races.

The Monza round of the series, however, was marred by the death of Edwards' Castrol Honda Supersport teammate, Michael Paquay. The 26-year-old Belgian was killed on Saturday in a multibike crash and Edwards dedicated his two victories to his fallen teammate and also to his own father, who is suffering from hepatitis after a recent kidney transplant.

In addition to Edwards finally breaking the ice with his first victory, things also got a bit more interesting in Italy as far as the World Superbike Championship point standings are concerned. After a heavy crash on Saturday morning, the star thus far of this young season, Noriyuki Haga, was happy just to finish the two races - but he left with just a handful of championship points and saw his lead in the series dwindle from 21 to just five points. The man who is now right behind him is Ducati's Troy Corser, the Australian having turned in 3-4 finishes in the two races. And that fourth could very easily have been a second in race two if not for an off-track excursion on the final lap that allowed both Carl Fogarty and Pier-Francesco Chili to slip past.

Both of Edwards' wins came after thrilling race-long battles. In the first race, the Texan only just held off his teammate Aaron Slight, winning by .083 of a second. The second race looked to be much of the same, with Slight right on Edwards' tail throughout. On the final lap, however, Slight's RC45 failed, dropping him out of the race. That left Edwards with 2.6 seconds to spare over Fogarty, who had finished sixth in the first race. Slight's nonfinish also put a dent in his championship aspirations as he falls to fifth in the standings, 31 points behind Haga.

Edwards, meanwhile, now sits fourth in the standings, 17 points behind Haga and nine points behind Fogarty, who is third with 96 points - just three fewer than Corser.

As if Haga's crash and consequential poor results weren't bad enough, Yamaha's fortunes were further dashed with Scott Russell's nonfinishes in both races. The Georgian had a chatter problem that forced him out of the first race, and he jumped the start in the second leg. Rather than undergo the stop-and-go penalty, Russell opted to pull out of the race and call it a day.

RACE ONE

With Hockenheim now off the World Superbike calendar, Monza is the only high-speed track on which the superbike racers will battle in 1998. Monza is all about slipstreaming, and this year that meant staying as close to the factory Honda RC45s as possible. Fogarty did even more than that at the start of the first race, diving into the first chicane in front of the pack. As expected, his lead was short-lived.

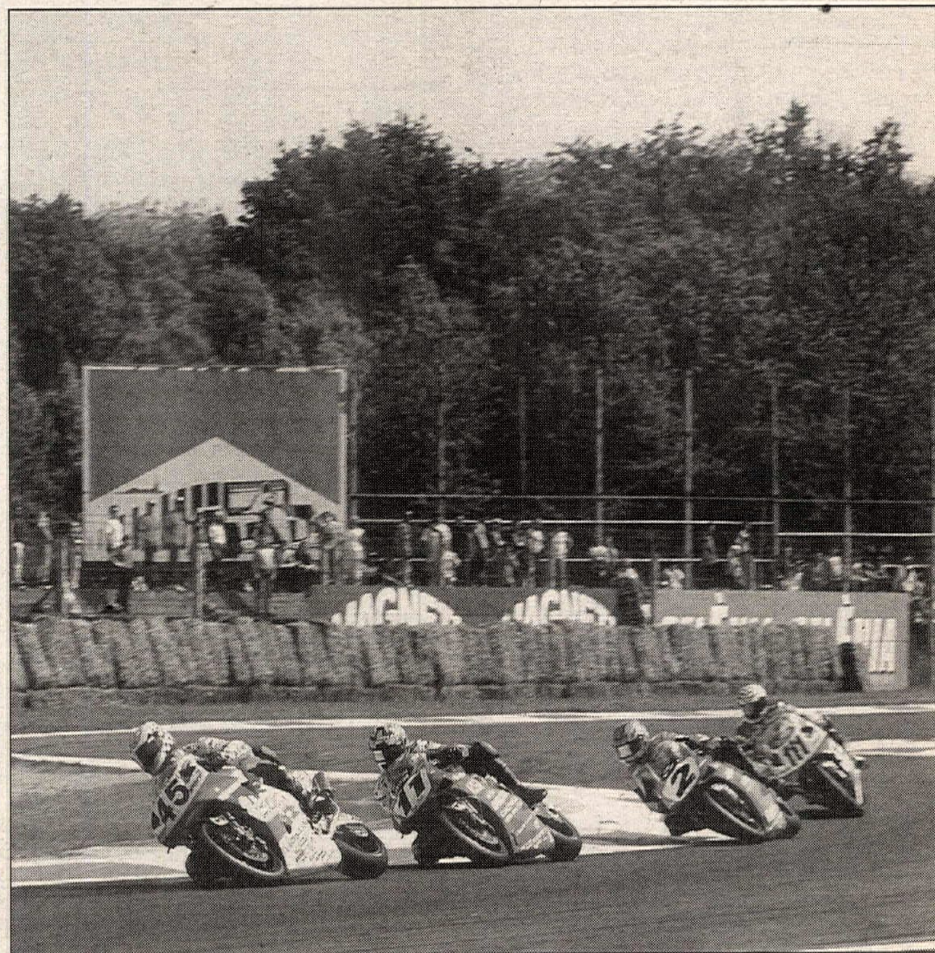
Slight got by on the first lap, followed shortly thereafter by Edwards. On the fourth lap, Japan's Akira Yanagawa got off his bike at the Ascari chicane, with the factory Kawasaki bursting into flames. Fortunately, nobody else was involved in the mishap and Yanagawa also escaped without injury.

A few laps later, a leading group formed with the two Honda riders, Slight and Edwards, Fogarty, Chili, Kawasaki's Neil Hodgson and Corser. Chili, especially, seemed to be a man on a mission in front of his home-country fans. Fired up by the cheers of some 15,000 partisan fans, he started his charge after five laps. First he moved past Corser, then he nabbed Fogarty - and for a short moment he got between the two Hondas. But again, this Ducati threat wouldn't last. A few laps later, the Honda pair really turned up the heat and started to escape, with Edwards doing most of the leading. Gradually, the two Castrol Hondas pulled away, with the rest of the group battling it out for the place.

Things did stay exciting up front, though, with Edwards and Slight each doing their best to beat the other. But Slight couldn't keep his teammate from winning the first World Superbike race of his career - in his fourth season on the circuit.

The battle for third was decided at the end of the penultimate lap, when everybody started to get into each other's way. It was Corser who benefited the most from the chaos. At the finish, it was Edwards in front of Slight and Corser.

"About halfway, I saw on the pit board that I had the pace and that the bike and the tires were feeling good," Edwards said. "But it was only with five laps to go that I knew I would win this race. I'm sure Aaron (Slight) agrees with me to dedicate this Honda 1-2 finish to



Michael Paquay. And I had another reason to beat everybody. My dad (Colin Sr.) isn't in good shape after a kidney transplant, and I wanted him to see me win a World Superbike race."

All things considered, Slight was happy with second place.

"Maybe I was a bit too tactical for my own good," the New Zealander said. "In the beginning of the race, I tried to pull a break, and I almost got off. Even though I knew we had a speed advantage, I didn't want the other guys to stay with us until the end. I broke the Ducatis with a 1:48 lap, then put in a couple of 1:46s to catch Colin. I did everything I planned, but then made a mess of the last lap."

Corser joined the two Honda riders on the rostrum.

"I knew that we stood little chance against the Hondas," Corser said. "I tried to hang on with Neil Hodgson's Kawasaki, and later I got a tow from

Pier-Francesco (Chili) when he was on a charge. Then, at one moment, the oil flag was out, but I saw it too late. Actually, that worked out fine, because I could make up some ground on the Hondas. A few laps before the end, I got a slight front-brake problem, which was enough for Aaron and Colin to get away. By the end of the penultimate lap, I was able to outbrake everybody. I put my head down for the last lap, and that turned out well for me."

Hodgson, Chili and Carl Fogarty crossed the finish line in that order, giving Hodgson his best finish of the year in his debut season on the factory Kawasaki.

After having spent most of the race in each other's company, Peter Goddard proved to be the fastest Suzuki rider, finishing just in front of Jamie Whitham.

"It was a bit of a lonely race," Goddard said. "James was behind me, but I had no one to follow. I put in some good



ROAD RACE WORLD SUPERBIKE CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 3: Monza, Italy

laps toward the end but, with no one to draft, it was an impossible task."

Haga came home ninth after having battled all the way with Andreas Meklau, Gregorio Lavilla and Alessandro Gramigni. The Japanese rider had to be helped onto his bike for the race and was given two pain-killing injections in his right leg as well as receiving medication intravenously. The Yamaha rider's main objective was to score as many points as possible, and he hoped just to leave Milan still in the lead of the championship.

His teammate Russell, meanwhile, didn't enjoy the race and retired on lap 11.

"My bike had some chattering to the front and I couldn't turn it in as I wanted to," Russell said. "I probably could have finished the race, but I saw Haga coming and I did the safe thing, as I knew I might come off, and I let him through - he needs the points more than me."

The Georgian had spent most of the race alone, running around in ninth position, behind the two factory Suzukis.

RACE TWO

The start of the second race was pretty chaotic, with several riders getting off the line too early. Russell was one of those who jumped. Well aware of his "mistake," the American pulled in after the first lap.

"I knew they were going to give me a stop-start," he said. "I wasn't going to run around last and on my own after a stop-go, so I stopped. The bike was not chattering and it felt pretty good, so I was real frustrated with myself. The lights were done to catch somebody out, but at the end of the day it is my fault. I jumped them and it was stupid. I'm not feeling that great right now and I have got to pick myself up again for the test this week. We will get there, though."

Fogarty had also gotten away quickly at the start, but without jumping it. So it was the Brit who again showed the others the way through the first chicane and the rest of the first lap. Foggy stayed there for 1 1/2 laps, then it was Corser taking over. But on the third lap, Edwards took control again.

(Right) Noriyuki Haga (41) had his first disappointing race of the 1998 season. The Japanese phenom hurt himself in a crash during practice but still managed to ride to ninth- and 10th-place finishes in the two races.



After a few laps, it was an all-Ducati/Honda battle, with Chili joining his two fellow *ducatisti* and both Honda riders. Positions changed several times, even though Edwards did most of the leading.

Behind the lead group, Yanagawa struggled with the two Suzukis. Of the two, Goddard had probably the biggest scare when his brakes failed at the end of the finish straight as he dived into the first chicane. The Australian reacted correctly, overshooting the two gravel pits and getting back on track with both wheels still rubber side down after an astonishing off-road excursion. He even managed to overtake his two rivals in the process, but he quickly lost the two spots while trying to readjust the brakes and get his heart rate down.

Things stayed hectic for the last couple of laps. Slight appeared to be settling for second place going into the last lap, but he saw his Honda go up in a huge smoke cloud while downshifting for the first chicane.

"The bike felt slower in the second race for some reason," Slight said later. "Whenever I got in front of Colin (Edwards), he was able to just come straight back past me. When the engine broke, I had no warning - I just wish it could have happened a lap later."

The incident gave Edwards a small lead going into the final miles of the race, with the three Ducati riders now battling over second place. Corser and Fogarty arrived at the infamous Parabolica corner (the last one before the finish) side by side, with Fogarty leaving little space for Corser, who was already

running wide and fast. The Australian almost fell but caught the bike with his arm and his leg, headed straight into the gravel pit and somehow managed to stay upright. But he had to settle for fourth, behind Edwards, Fogarty and Chili.

Naturally, Edwards was extremely happy with his second victory of the day.

"Today I had my head screwed on," he explained. "The second race was a bit slower - maybe because of the track being a bit more slippery, but my combination of the Castrol Honda and the Michelins was perfect. My plan in the second race was just to get my head down and hope I could pull away, and it worked perfectly."

Fogarty was also pleased with second place.

Honda - all the way

Right from the start, it was clear that the Castrol Honda team was going to kick some serious butt at Monza. With Colin Edwards II coming to grips with the RC45, and Aaron Slight on a roll on what is the fastest World Superbike motorcycle at the moment, the two Honda boys grabbed the two best times during Friday's qualifying session. And then they did likewise on Saturday. Naturally, they were the big favorites for the Superpole session on Saturday afternoon.

But the one-lap, do-or-die session once again provided some surprises. First of all, Noriyuki Haga was one of the first to go out, after having clocked only the 13th-quickest time during qualifying. The most successful rider of the young season had crashed on Friday morning, then did it again on Saturday - this time with more damage than just a bruised ego. The Japanese rider was believed to have been taken out by a cold rear tire on one of the first left-hand corners of the track - a spot his team manager, Davide Brivio, had warned him was known for "beginners' mistakes."

"I do not really remember what happened, but I can guess," the green-haired Yamaha rider said. "When I was in the air, I can remember thinking: 'Oh, no, I have done it!'"

The doctor passed the YZF rider as fit to ride, which meant that Haga had to decide whether to ride or not.

"There wasn't really a choice," Brivio said. "If he had not taken the bike out, he would have had to start the race at the end of the grid. We told him that he just had to start the bike and that he could stop wherever he wanted; we would send

somebody to pick him up and bring him back as quickly as possible. But he went all the way. Later he explained he did not want the crowd to think bad things about him for not completing the lap..."

Peter Goddard was the other surprise. The Australian Suzuki rider crashed in the final chicane.

"The tire I would really have liked to use was not available and that's what caused the crash," Goddard said after losing the front end. "The big problem now is that I may have wrecked the bike and it will be tough to get things built back up in time. We had a machine setup that could do consistent race-pace laps and we now have to recreate that."

After Goddard's crash, his teammate Jamie Whitham stormed to the provisional pole for a few minutes before being headed by the Kawasakis of Neil Hodgson and Akira Yanagawa and the Ducatis of Pier-Francesco Chili and Troy Corser - and finally by Slight.

At the end of the day, Slight put his name where it had been for every qualifying session - right at the top of the list.

"Today has been a disaster for Honda," the New Zealander said. "This morning, right after Michael (Paquay) crashed, it was very hard for me to get out there and string up some fast lap times."

Both Slight and his teammate Edwards wore black arm-bands during Superpole in respect for their fallen teammate.

"The bike has worked really well here and the tires Michelin have given us have been great," Slight said. "I know the races at Monza are always close, but I would like to think I can change that tomorrow."

Slight opted for the double-sided swingarm for Superpole and the race, despite the fact that he had set his fastest time while using the single-sided unit on Friday.

"There is no real difference between the two swingarms, so I prefer to use the one that the engineers will concentrate on in the future," he reasoned.

Ducati's Corser qualified second after having spent a lot of

time trying out a new Michelin 16-inch front tire (after having used only 16.5- and 17-inch tires in the past).

"With the smaller front tire, the bike handles better in the chicanes," he said. "But after making some changes on the bike the first day, we went the wrong direction. Today, we came back to what we had for the first couple of laps, and that worked out all right. We're still lacking a bit of top speed; I tried to follow (Neil) Hodgson and Colin (Edwards) a couple of times today. I could stay with them coming out of the corner, but after that they pulled away."

Edwards, meanwhile, ended up third.

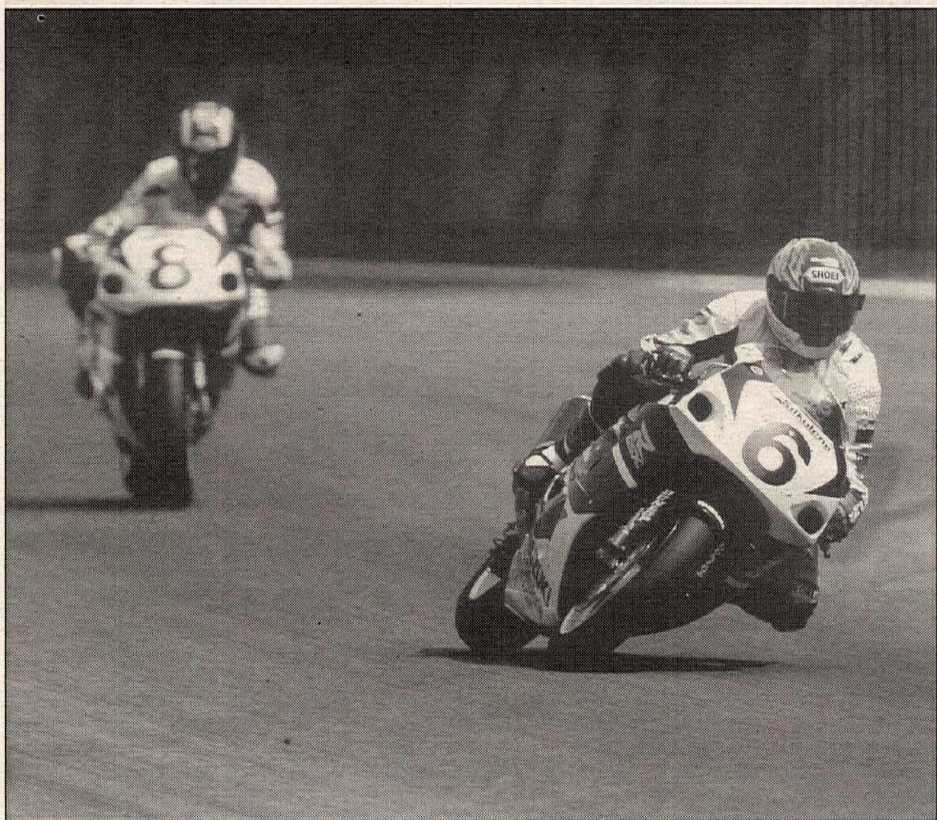
"This is a track I like," the Texan said, "and that helps. But I went quicker on race tires during the warmup than during Superpole. I think I know now how to race an RC45 hard, and we finally also got a 17-inch tire that works. On the other hand, tires are not so important here. What counts is getting in the right slipstream."

Carl Fogarty qualified fourth, after complaining on the first day that his Ducati was lacking a lot of speed.

"It's always been a struggle for me qualifying here, but on race day things usually fall into place," Fogarty said. "Having said that, I think circuits like this and Hockenheim are getting too dangerous for us to race on. It's fun if you are out there alone, but if you are in a group, and something happens, you are in big trouble."

Chili, Yanagawa, Hodgson and Whitham parked their bikes on row two, with another fine performance by Gregorio Lavilla (ninth) and Piergiorgio Bontempi (10th). Scott Russell qualified 11th.

"My lap wasn't so clean, but it was sort of okay, considering," he said. "I didn't muck up anywhere, but I did take it too easy going into Ascari where Goddard came off and I was also a little early on the brakes going into Lesmo. But that's Superpole. I'm feeling good for the race and we're ready now. We've come on well since the start of the weekend, when I had a lot of trouble going through the chicanes."



"This morning, I hoped for a third place," Fogarty said. "During the first race, I struggled with brake and rear-shock problems, but for the second race it worked out a little better. It all boiled down to the last corner; Troy came down on the outside, but I was already wide. After Aaron's retirement, second place was better than what I hoped for, but expect us to be back there at Albacete."

Chili, meanwhile, complained about many riders jumping the start.

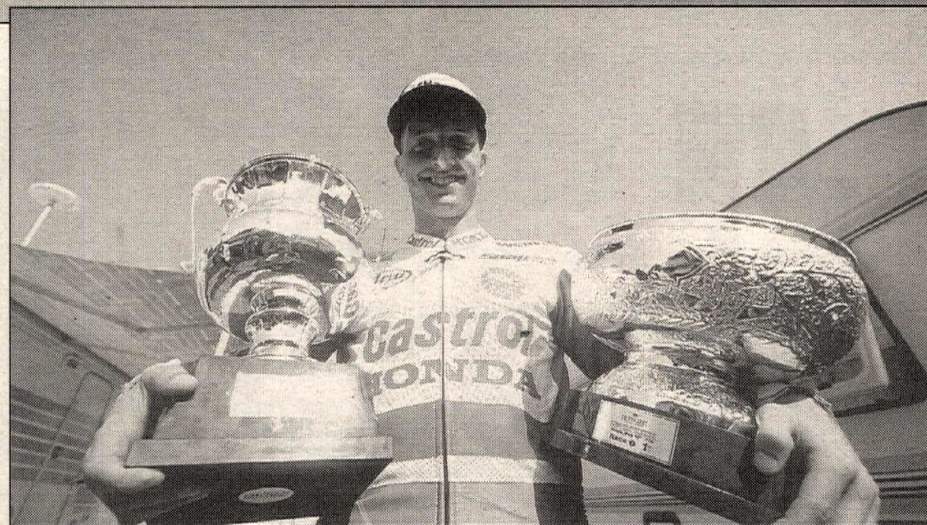
"I tried to catch these people again in the opening stages, but that cost a lot of energy and tires," the Italian said. "At the end of the race, the tires were sliding around a lot. I decided it was better to close the throttle a bit instead of risking a crash."

Corser was lucky to be on two wheels, let alone in fourth.

"The bike felt a bit slower even though it was the same and had the same engine," he said. "I outbraked Carl (Fogarty) at the Parabolica but lost the front end and just managed to stay upright. It has not been a bad weekend because I have scored my best result here so far, and we are virtually back to square one in the championship."

Goddard ended up eighth, despite the brake scare.

"Toward the end of the race I grabbed the lever going into the first chicane, and nothing happened," said the Australian Suzuki rider. "I shot past James (Whitham) and over the gravel trap at over 250 kilometers per hour. It was one of the most terrifying moments of my racing career. But for that incident, I feel sure I could have been a couple of places higher."



(Left) Suzuki teammates Peter Goddard (6) and Jamie Whitham (8) battle.

(Above) A happy Colin Edwards II won the first two races of his World Superbike career - in his fourth season on the circuit.

Haga had to settle for 10th. "It was hard today for me," said Haga, who only just managed to keep his championship lead. "It was also frustrating and hard to bear. It was hard to bear going around in 10th position and also hard to bear the pain. I am happy it is all over. Braking was not so bad, but changing direction was the real problem for me here. The fast chicanes where you have to really force the bike was very bad for me."

Autodromo Nazionale di Monza Monza, Italy

Results: May 10, 1998 (Round 3 of 15)

QUALIFYING: 1. Aaron Slight (1:46.651); 2. Troy Corser (1:47.252); 3. Colin Edwards II (1:47.494); 4. Carl Fogarty (1:47.727); 5. Pier-Francesco Chili (1:47.862); 6. Akira Yanagawa (1:47.987); 7. Neil Hodgson (1:48.134); 8. James Whitham (1:48.317); 9. Gregorio Lavilla (1:48.583); 10. Piergiorgio Bontempi (1:48.737); 11. Scott Russell (1:48.897); 12. Andreas Meklau (1:49.250); 13. Igor Jerman (1:49.741); 14. Alessandro Gramigni (1:50.904); 15. Noriyuki Haga (1:52.660); 16. Peter Goddard (1:48.806); 17. Lucio Pedercini (1:50.230); 18. Frederic Protat (1:51.167); 19. Erkka Korpiaho (1:51.168); 20. Paolo Biora (1:52.700); 21. Jean-Marc Deletang (1:52.949); 22. Giorgio Cantalupo (1:52.962); 23. Jiri Mrkyvka (1:53.590); 24. Andrew Stroud (1:53.626); 25. Ivo Arnoldi (1:54.262); 26. Michal Bursa (1:54.531); 27. Fausto Poyer (1:54.873); 28. Bruno Scatola (1:55.155); 29. Paolo Malvini (1:55.262); 30. Vladimir Karban (1:55.606);

31. Gianni Valtulini (1:56.194); 32. Jesus Rodriguez (1:57.000).

RACE ONE: 1. Colin Edwards II (Hon); 2. Aaron Slight (Hon); 3. Troy Corser (Duc); 4. Neil Hodgson (Kaw); 5. Pier-Francesco Chili (Duc); 6. Carl Fogarty (Duc); 7. Peter Goddard (Suz); 8. James Whitham (Suz); 9. Noriyuki Haga (Yam); 10. Gregorio Lavilla (Duc); 11. Andreas Meklau (Duc); 12. Alessandro Gramigni (Duc); 13. Igor Jerman (Kaw); 14. Lucio Pedercini (Duc); 15. Erkka Korpiaho (Kaw); 16. Frederic Protat (Hon); 17. Paolo Biora (Duc); 18. Giorgio Cantalupo (Duc); 19. Jean-Marc Deletang (Yam); 20. Jiri Mrkyvka (Hon).

Time: 32 min., 24.648 sec.

Distance: 18 laps, 64.39 miles.

Average speed: 119.21 mph.

Margin of victory: 0.083 sec.

Fastest lap: Aaron Slight, 1:46.856/120.52 mph.

RACE TWO: 1. Colin Edwards II (Hon); 2. Carl Fogarty (Duc); 3. Pier-Francesco Chili (Duc); 4. Troy Corser (Duc); 5. James Whitham (Suz); 6. Akira Yanagawa (Kaw); 7. Neil Hodgson (Kaw); 8. Peter Goddard (Suz); 9. Andreas Meklau (Duc); 10. Noriyuki Haga (Yam); 11. Piergiorgio Bontempi (Kaw); 12. Igor Jerman (Kaw); 13. Alessandro Gramigni (Duc); 14. Lucio Pedercini (Duc); 15. Erkka Korpiaho (Kaw); 16. Frederic Protat (Hon); 17. Paolo Biora (Duc); 18. Giorgio Cantalupo (Duc); 19. Jean-Marc Deletang (Yam); 20. Paolo Malvini (Duc); 21. Vladimir Karban (Suz).

Time: 32 min., 29.458 sec.

Distance: 18 laps, 64.39 miles.

Average speed: 118.91 mph.

Margin of victory: 2.697 sec.

Fastest lap: Aaron Slight, 1:46.866/120.510 mph.

WORLD SUPERBIKE CHAMPIONSHIP POINT STANDINGS (After 3 of 15 rounds): 1. Noriyuki Haga (104/3 wins); 2. Troy Corser (99); 3. Carl Fogarty (96/1); 4. Colin Edwards II (87/2); 5. Aaron Slight (73); 6. Pier-Francesco Chili (67); 7. (TIE) Akira Yanagawa/Peter Goddard (43); 9. Jamie Whitham (39); 10. Neil Hodgson (34); 11. Scott Russell (22); 12. Mark Willis (17); 13. Gregorio Lavilla (16); 14. Piergiorgio Bontempi (14); 15. Steve Hislop (13).

Upcoming Rounds:

Round 4 - Albacete, Spain, May 24

Round 5 - Nurburgring, Germany, June 7

Briefly...

Two-time European Supersport Champion **Michael Paquay** died from the injuries he sustained in a terrible crash on Saturday morning on the approach to the first chicane. Leading a group of three, the Castrol Honda rider got into the slipstream of a slower rider and was caught out when the rider braked earlier than expected. Paquay was run over by Ferdinando di Masso and Sebastien Charpentier, neither of whom could do anything to avoid the fallen rider. Paquay received heart massage for about 45 minutes before he could be taken to a hospital in Monza. He died at the hospital a few hours later. Just the day before, Paquay's younger teammate, James Toseland, had also crashed heavily and suffered a broken lower leg.

A scheduled meeting between **Maurizio Flammini**, FIM and the manufacturers in Monza was canceled at the last moment. It is understood that the manufacturers still have not worked out a common position as to technical and homologation rules to be adapted. It is believed that the manufacturers are against stricter rules - except maybe for some vital components such as crankshafts and connecting rods. Another big issue concerns the introduction of special racing kits, which would actually do away with the current homologation rules. As things look now, the common set of propositions to be made to FIM to deliberate does not seem to oppose so much the Japanese vs. the European manufacturers, but more the two-cylinder builders vs. the four-cylinder manufacturers. A common position is expected to be presented to the FIM at the Brands Hatch round in a few months. According to Paolo Flammini, a new set of rules will be introduced in 2000 or 2001, aiming at lowering the costs of World Superbike racing and making competitive bikes more available for privateers.

According to Paolo Flammini, the **Malaysian round** of the championship will be **canceled** and the season will end in Sugo, Japan. The Johor circuit lost its international homologation after the Malaysian Grand Prix, when the asphalt was thoroughly dam-

aged. The Kyalami, South Africa, round will surely take place, as SBK International has a five-year contract with the organizers there. A switch to the new (still-to-be built) circuit of Welkom near Johannesburg is not being considered.

Neil Hodgson finally started to look good on the Kawasaki at Monza. "Since the second race in Donington Park, Neil has found a new motivation," said team manager Harald Eckl. "After the Suzuka 8 Hours practice a week ago, he said that he finally had cracked the code to ride the Kawasaki hard." The Brit confirmed this. "The last two years, I had been bitten too often by the Ducatis," he said. "But to have good lap times, you have to ride the Kawasaki really aggressively, just like Anthony Gobert did. Now I've reached the point where I can convince myself to keep the gas on it, even if it starts to slide. With the Ducati, that would have not been the cleverest thing to do." Hodgson was also reported to use old tires on purpose during practice, in order to get the feel of the bike moving around a lot underneath him. Hodgson (as well as James Whitham) also used for the first time the Japanese Dunlop tires that Haga has been using for the whole season. They offer a different characteristic and allow the riders to slide more.

Commenting on the **Kawasakis** finally starting to show as strongly as they had done during the winter practice, Harald Eckl said: "Compared to last year, the bike is more homogeneous now. But even then, you can easily lose some 5 hp if you do not have the peripherals (carburetion, exhaust, etc.) set up perfectly. Last season, that difference was even bigger." Eckl also admitted that the Kawasaki has good top speed, which is definitely an asset on a fast track like Monza. "Before we came here, the computer had calculated that we could reach a theoretical top speed of 305 kph (189 mph). In reality, we had the bikes clocked at some 295 kph (183 mph) - with the Honda the fastest at 187 mph). This is a very good performance, as you always lose some five to 10 percent of the theoretical top speed due to wheel-spin." The Kawasaki, like most other factory bikes this year, also sports a different windscreen, offering some 3 extra mph on top. The use of the special screens is just another step away from the

original philosophy of superbike racing being aimed at "standard-looking" bikes.

Scott Russell seems to be on the way up again after his two lackluster performances at Phillip Island and Donington Park. The American tested with his team at Misano in Italy one week before the Monza round. "My bike doesn't have much weight over the front tire and at the moment Michelin have not quite got the right one for the bike, but we're getting there," the former World Champion said, not too disappointed about having to test on a wet track most of the time. "The tire engineers have gone back with a lot of useful information and they are going to build a new front for Monza. We also played around with lots of different settings. I'm really having to get used to Michelins again and we also have to find out the best setting for them. I really enjoyed riding the bike today, although the conditions were not great. The temperature was low and I think the Michelins work real good when it is hot."

The World Series Supersport race was won by Suzuki rider **Fabrizio Pirovano**, who fended off the attacks from Cristiano Migliorati, Vittoriano Guareschi, Massimo Meregalli and Wilco Zeelenberg almost to the end. A few laps before, reigning champion Paolo Casoli had lost a lot of ground, first after an error and later after his Ducati lost power. He managed to secure sixth. In the early laps, Stehane Chambon and Yves Brigueat crashed at a common spot - the first chicane.

The truck carrying **Katja Poensgen's Supermono bikes** broke down on Friday morning going down to Monza. When her pit box was still empty one hour before the first practice, the German lady racer started to worry, but there was no way she could get in touch with her en-route technical crew. Her father - German Suzuki importer Bert Poensgen - had refused to buy her a new cellular phone after she had lost two others in only a few weeks' time. The truck finally arrived 50 minutes before the start of the practice. It is likely that Bert Poensgen will change his mind about the cellular phone, as his daughter stormed to victory on Sunday.



What's the big idea?

By Scott Rousseau

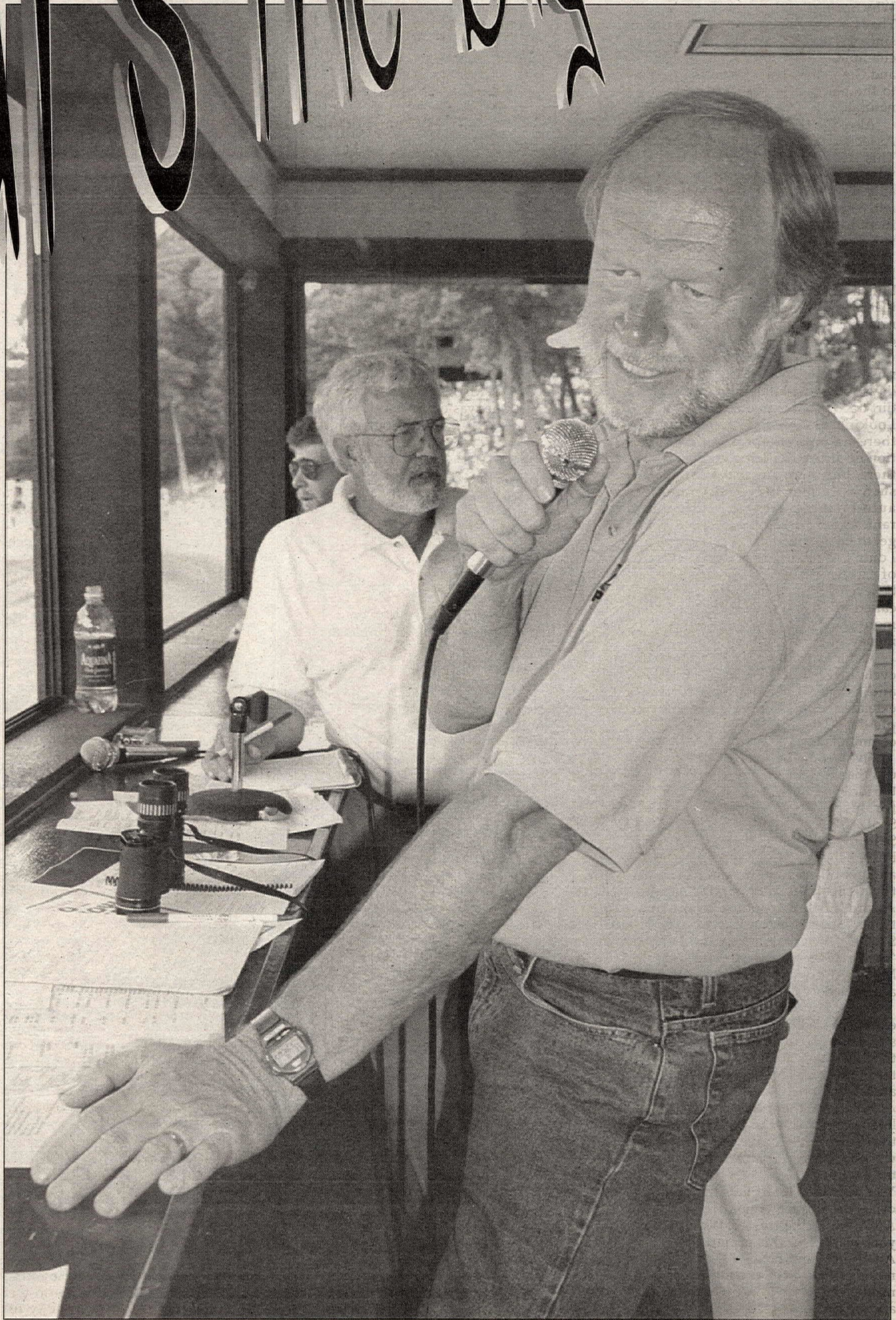
It's an idea that was way overdue, an epic revelation that seems so simple and has met with an incredibly enthusiastic response, and it goes something like this: An enthusiastic group of dirt track supporters has raised a \$50,000 purse for the first "Dirt Track Hall of Fame Race," to run Labor Day weekend with the traditional Springfield Mile. Many details remain to be worked out, but the plan is to field 15 riders for the 10-lap event which will pay out \$50,000 - making it the richest single dirt track race in history, with ESPN2 television coverage. Proceeds will be the seed money for the creation of the Dirt Track Hall of Fame.

But whose idea was it? The race is the brainchild of ESPN motorsports announcer and lifelong dirt track enthusiast Dave Despain, who has since invested himself so fully in the race project that he is wearing about as many hats as one man can in this type of endeavor. Despain is acting as co-promoter, the liaison between the AMA, the IMDA and the first 24 Hall of Fame inductees. He is heading up communications with the city of Springfield - both the mayor's office and the convention bureau. He is actively seeking sponsorship, lining up media coverage and dealing with all the nitpicky logistics on race day. And of course, on race day, you can expect that Despain will be the one announcing the action for ESPN2. Bottom line: Despain is the event's designated cheerleader.

The whole shebang represents an ambitious plan in which there are many questions to be answered. Who better, then, to provide some of the answers about the event than the guy with the big idea?"

Longtime motorsports announcer Dave Despain (foreground) is the initiator of an ambitious plan to raise funds for the \$50,000 Hall of Fame dirt track race at the Springfield Mile on Labor Day weekend.

Despain is a longtime dirt track enthusiast.



So how did this idea come about in the first place?

I started thinking about this when (Illinois referee) Dick Andrae and (former Grand National Champion) Roger Reiman died. This sport has lost so many of its pioneers and heroes, and there is really no organized effort to honor their memories. Then Ricky Graham died, and I decided it was time to make it happen.

Why Springfield?

That's a no-brainer. We've raced there since 1938; for years we crowned our champion there; and Andrae, Reiman and Graham all had special connections to the place. In terms of history, it's a natural.

Also, the Illinois Motorcycle Dealers Association promotes the races there. This is a wonderful group of people who got us back into the fairgrounds after the "bad guy" episode in the '60s. I felt very confident we could work with them to figure out all the details that will come up along the way.

So I pledged \$2000 toward a "Hall of Fame" race purse, and challenged a bunch of fellow enthusiasts to match that pledge. The deal was, "If we don't raise \$50,000, nobody has to write a check."

I figured it would take six months to raise the money. Instead, it took four days! Never underestimate what we dirt track people can do!

Looking at your list of contributors, there's a pretty impressive cross-section of dirt track racing enthusiasts on there, but there are also a few names such as former Indy and Grand Prix auto-racing great Dan Gurney that rank as surprises on it. How did you get them all together?

I didn't. We did. This is a great example of "networking" for a cause we all believe in. I called some guys; they each called other guys, who in turn called more guys; and in no time we had the money.

As for Dan Gurney, he's a big motorcycle lover. I faxed him our proposal and asked if his fondness for bikes extended to this kind of project. A couple days later his office called in his commitment.

Five people on that list deserve special thanks. Jack Mangus convinced me the idea would fly, so he gets a gold star for inspiration. Chet Burks, Gary Stolzenburg and Ron Stratman are Salesmen of the Month! They really busted their butts to spread the word and get others to join. And Mike Shattuck received our first "Attaboy Award" for his response to the question, "So, Mike, will you give me \$2000?" Without hesitation he said, "Sure, and more if you need it." Attaboy, Mike! (And we're looking for ways to accommodate his generosity!)

Also, I want to comment on my experience with the IMDA. I just can't say enough about all the help that they've given me. Denise Hartley has taken this on as a full-time job, and she already has one!

Seriously, there is a very important lesson here for all of us who love dirt track racing. It's corny but true: If we all work together, we can accomplish spectacular things.

You've worn a lot of hats in the motorcycle world: race announcer, TV host, AMA pro racing trustee. Which hat are you wearing for this project?

All of them and none of them. This has nothing to do with any particular organization or group of people, and it's not about who gets credit for what. You observed that our membership is a

cross section, and that's the key to the deal. We may all spend a lot of time arguing about individual issues, but I think this project proves that we all love the same thing - dirt track racing - and, given the opportunity, we can all pull together for the thing we love.

By the way, I'd add two more "hats" to your list: I'm an AMA Life Member and I was a pitifully slow five-year dirt track Novice who fell in love with the sport 30 years ago.

There are more than 25 names on the list. Does that mean you exceeded the \$50,000 commitment?

There's a funny story about that. Part of the initial pitch was, "Sign up now and be part of this exclusive group of 25 people who will make motorcycle-racing history. We'll call ourselves the Founders Club, and we'll be responsible for founding the Dirt Track Hall of Fame Race."

But the truth is that I don't know who the first 25 members were! You see, things got very busy at Dave Despain and Associates once the first few Founders starting calling their friends and leaning on them to join too. Within a day, the business phone, home phone, flip phone, van phone, fax, voice mail and E-mail were all running wide open.

The morning of the fourth day, Willie G. Davidson's office called to explain that he was on the road, but he really wanted to be part of our group. In the middle of that explanation, the fax fired up and spit out a commitment from John Dragoo and John Shepherd, two of Steve Morehead's longtime sponsors. One of those three - Davidson, Dragoo or Shephard - was the 25th member, but I'm damned if I can figure out which one.

Talk about coincidence? In the race to get 25 members, we had the grandson of Harley-Davidson's founder and one of Grand National racing's best privateer teams in a phone-and-fax photo finish! That's sort of symbolic, don't you think?

At that point we made the decision to open up the fund raising and let anybody who wants to join come on in. **Now that you've exceeded the original goal, what's the next step?**

At the end of that fourth day, we had 28 members in the Founders Club. With their pledges, we could run the richest single dirt track race in history; give \$50,000 to the riders; put \$6000 in a Hall of Fame fund; pat ourselves on the back; and be proud that we have done a great thing.

But if we can raise \$100,000, we can run the richest single dirt track race in history - every year. That is now the goal - to create the Annual Dirt Track Hall of Fame Race.

The additional \$50,000 is seed money. With the knowledge, experience and enthusiasm of the people in this group, we will use that money to develop an annual Labor Day celebration around the Hall of Fame Race. We envision all kinds of activities: a gathering of past champions with receptions in their honor and "bench racing" sessions, a collection of vintage dirt track bikes, an auction of dirt track machines and memorabilia, VIP hospitality, you name it. The race itself will be the centerpiece, and around it we will build a huge reunion of the dirt track family.

Most important, the revenue streams we create will fund the race for years to come and provide a steady flow of money into the Hall of Fame fund.

Elaborate on that. What are the specific plans for the Hall of Fame?

At this point, there are no specific plans. Remember, we thought it would take six months to get the money to run one race. An annual race - never mind a steady flow of cash into the Hall of Fame fund - was just a dream. With all this initial success, we're moving up all the timetables as fast as possible, but a lot of this is still in the "idea" stage.

But that's a good thing, isn't it? Different people will have different visions of the Hall of Fame, and we need to gather all those ideas and pursue the best ones. Right now, we're soliciting the Founders for their thoughts. What is a Hall of Fame? Is it a building? Is it the contents of that building - the old motorcycles, photos, films, scrapbooks, all the stuff that documents the history of the sport? Or is it the riders - the great heroes of the sport who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame every year?

To me, it's all those things. But all the different definitions have one thing in common: They cost money. So whatever form the Hall of Fame takes in the future, the first step is to create a flow of cash into a fund that can pay for it.

There appears to be a bit of confusion as to whether or not this will be a Dirt Track Hall of Fame or a Motorcycle Hall of Fame. Can you clarify the situation?

Well, my part of this was started specifically for a Dirt Track Hall of Fame. Simultaneously and unbeknownst to me, the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation also had plans for a Motorcycle Hall of Fame, but those plans were secondary to the building of the museum. They moved those plans to the front burner in February.

When we found out about what each other had going, they invited me to their next planning committee meeting. I was skeptical, but when I walked into their meeting I was encouraged to see Don Emde, Bill Milburn and Dick Mann, among others. That told me that dirt track's interests were well-represented. So they talked and I listened, and I talked and they listened, and we all agreed to work together. In fact, they've embraced our first 24 inductees as their first 24 inductees.

People ask me what the Dirt Track Hall of Fame is, and my stock and standard answer at this point in the project is that it's not a building. To have that discussion, you have to go from talking about raising tens of thousands to raising millions. So I tell them that the Hall of Fame is the 24 people that we have decided to induct in recognition for what they have accomplished and for what they mean to the dirt track community.

So, the answer is that they are separate projects, but we are still working together. We have the potential to be so big, and they have the potential to be so big. Do we want to be as big as we can be, or part of something that could potentially be bigger? And does that mean that we should be? Not necessarily. I don't have the answer to that yet. Right now it's all theoretical and hypothetical.

What about the TV coverage for the race?

The Labor Day Hall of Fame race will definitely be televised, tape-delayed, on ESPN2. We have that commitment. In fact, they will do a series of '98 dirt track races. Within that series, the Hall of Fame race will have its own telecast.

When will the Hall of Fame Race run? It was conceived as an addition to the National program to run Sunday of Labor Day weekend, but we've since

worked with the IMDA and moved it to Saturday, making it a stand-alone event. If there is this much enthusiasm out there, we might be able to create a very exciting two-day weekend the very first year.

You've been doing car racing on ESPN the last few years. In fact, other than the Peoria TT, the dirt trackers hardly ever see you anymore. So what brought you back to this project?

First, it wasn't my idea to move from motorcycles to cars on ESPN. That's a long and rather unpleasant story that doesn't need to be told here. But my first love is still motorcycle racing, and particularly dirt track racing.

The Grand National series has seen some tough times recently. In fact, it's been tough ever since Camel pulled out. The sport badly needs a success story around which we can all rally. We need a project we can all get behind and support, a focal point for our positive energy. I want the Hall of Fame Race to be that project.

By definition, a Hall of Fame is about celebrating the past, but my vision of this event is that it will help us to build dirt track racing's future. It will be the focal point of our effort to expand the ESPN2 television package for '99 and beyond. This "showcase" weekend will enable potential sponsors to see our sport at its absolute best. And the things we learn in promoting this event will be shared with other promoters in a series-wide effort to increase attendance at all Grand National races. All that will take money.

You know, I hear a lot of people crying the blues and predicting that dirt track is dying because nobody cares about it anymore. I look at dirt track racing and see the best show in American motorsports. I mean that. Nothing I've seen at a NASCAR race compares with 12 or 13 guys in the lead draft after 20 miles at Springfield. It's breathtaking.

And I'm obviously not the only one who believes in this thing. All these people put up all this money in just a few days because they believe it, too. Dirt track isn't dying - it just needs a shot in the arm, and we're going to try our best to give it that shot!

So how does one join?

Just give me a call at 706-769-0474 and I will send out the information. We've extended the fund-raising effort through September 1, because we want to give everybody plenty of time to join. We have found the way to make the \$2000 deductible as a charitable contribution; they go through the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation, which is a perfect example of one of the ways that we've found to work together on this project. It's simple, it's a one-time contribution, and it's a wonderful way to support dirt track racing. I hope my phone keeps ringing off the hook, and I want to thank *Cycle News* not only for spreading the word about this project but for being the "Bible" of dirt track since I started subscribing 30 years ago. You guys are great.

So when will you feel like this project is truly a success?

I can tell you exactly when. When 102-year-old Jim Davis stands up and is inducted into the Hall of Fame in front of a sold-out grandstand, with 5000 people on the infield and a host of VIPs from within and outside of the motorcycle industry, and with a bunch of potential series sponsors and a throng of media on hand, I'll consider it a great success.

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Edmondson's worthy again

By Mark Kariya

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Team Suzuki Off-Road's Paul Edmondson demonstrated skill and smarts, and (perhaps more importantly) proved that he has recovered from injuries, by winning the 22nd annual Moose Run, a race he declared is certainly worthy of its title - "America's Toughest Race."

The former 250cc Enduro World Champion from Great Britain knows difficult races, having competed in events such as the Gilles Lalay Classic in France. Of the Moose Run, he said, "In America, it's definitely the hardest race I've done since I've been here."

Even locals who come back year after year and know how hard it can be thought this year's event might have been the most challenging yet. Perennial winner Jeff Fredette has been racing it since it was the Illinois Cross Country Championship, and the Team Green racer, laughing, said, "Yeah, it's the toughest one so far. We're done (with the interview)."

(Above) Despite crashing at the start, Paul Edmondson paced himself and came away with the Moose Run win and \$1000. (Below) Fred Andrews ended up second after getting stuck in a mudhole and later getting tangled up in barbed wire.



Lots of competitors considered themselves "done" long before Fredette, who finished fifth this time. According to Moose Racing's Gary Gibbs, only 13 of the 184 starters finished all three 29-mile laps. Got the picture?

Though the area appears to be fairly flat and full of cornfields, it's actually rather undulating, though there's certainly nothing that could be termed mountainous. And in between the farmers' fields is what promoter Bill Gusse of the United Off-Road Racing Association calls the "timbers," where some of the most physically demanding riding in the country is found. It's tight, but instead of the tightly spaced trees which grow to the sky, it seems that half the trees are horizontal, lying on the ground with most trails forcing the rider to cross them, often at unconventional angles. As Gusse points out, all of it is rideable, but when all you're doing is crossing over - and underneath - logs, launching out of creeks with no run or fighting through gloppy mudholes for five hours, it wears you down.

Team Green GNCC racer Fred Andrews showed up for his first Moose Run - and his share of the \$2500 purse - and said, "I talked to Brian Keegan. Last year he rode, and he told me, 'You've got to shoot your bike over the logs. You've got to drag it,' this and that. It's like everybody builds it up to be bigger than what it is - but still, it's gnarly. I wouldn't want to be a B or C guy out here, no way. Those guys that made it are heroes. If they make a lap, they did good, for sure. It's gnarly; no doubt about it, it's gnarly. It's way gnarlier than Blackwater was when I won it."

Andrews took the lead going into the last lap and ended up second, a laudable debut.

"It's really technical," Honda's Scott Summers explained. "We go over, like, 200 log crossings in one lap. A lot of that

stuff's almost like trials. It's very different from a GNCC course, but that makes it fun. It's a real test of your technical skills."

Instead of his usual XR600R, Summers chose the much lighter XR250R with a 280cc big-bore kit. He led much of the race until he chose a few bad lines and got stuck. He soldiered on for third.

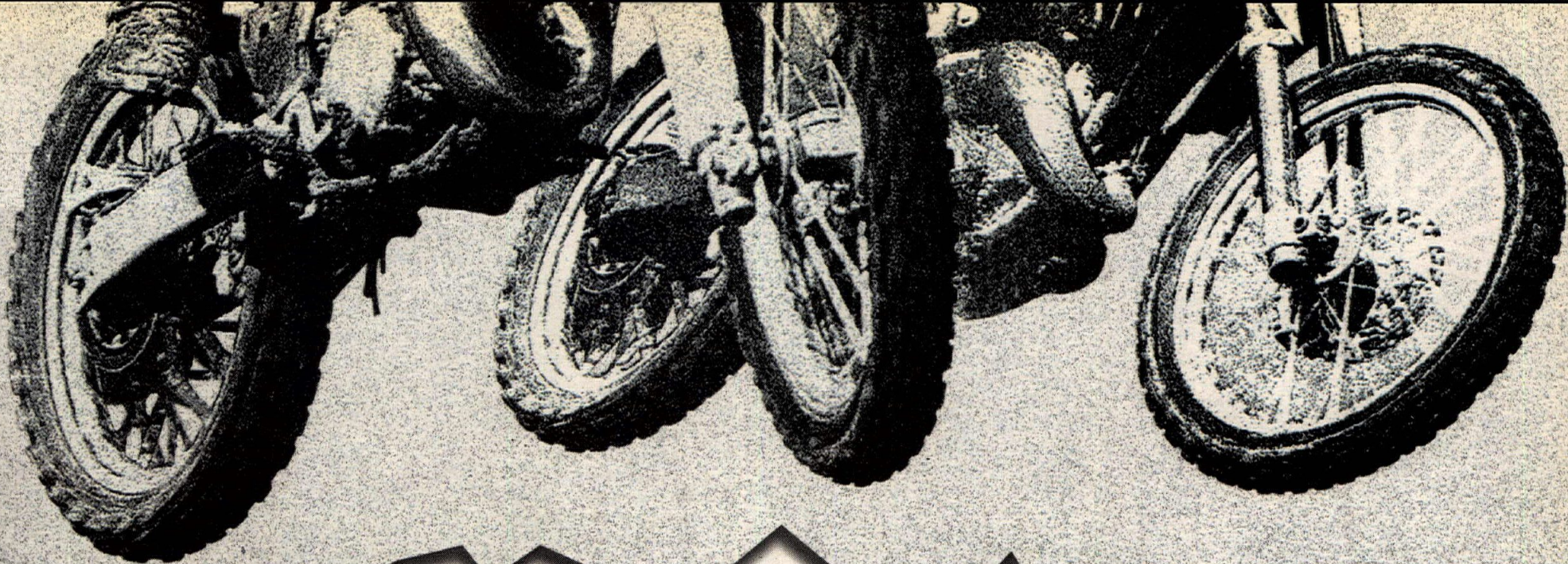
KTM's Jon-Erik Burleson said, "The thing I noticed most, for being in Illinois, is we really didn't cross many cornfields at all. We only had, I'd say, probably three, four miles of cornfields out of a 30-mile loop. One section with the mudhole in it there, it seemed like it went forever. It was probably seven or eight miles of tight, tight first-, second-gear stuff the whole way. I'd say put it all together, and it's by far the toughest one I've done here. I've done three or four of 'em - this was definitely the toughest."

The race did start in a cornfield, under a cool, gray sky following a week with a fair amount of rain. It also rained late Saturday afternoon and evening, ensuring a dust-free event. In addition to Andrews, Edmondson, Fredette and Summers, quite a few woods-racer heroes lined up in the Pro class, including Edmondson's teammates Steve Hatch and Rodney Smith, Mid-South series champion Mike Sampson, KTM's Brian Garrahan, Team Green's Jim Jarrett, the legendary Dick Burleson and Ron Ribolzi. Hard-charging locals included Phil Converse, Larry Sullivan and Tim Taber, eager to show the National heroes how it's done in Illinois.

When the racers kicked their bikes to life, however, the National regulars went to the front.

"I got the start; then I let everybody go," Andrews said.

He knew it'd be a long race, so Sampson quickly assumed front-running duties on his TM. Before too long, how-



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ever, Summers put his "little" XR into the lead, followed by Hatch.

Edmondson didn't get the sort of start he planned.

"I kind of got taken out on the start accidentally - I got hooked up on someone's Bark Buster - and I was basically dead last away, so I just picked my way through traffic on the first lap," Edmondson reported. "The problem with this race is that a lot of the lines are closed and one-line, and there are lots of trees and logs, so I kind of had to wait in line to have a go, to have a run at the stuff. That's why on the first lap I was quite a ways behind Hatch."

"He (Edmondson) crashed, so I waited for him," Andrews explained of his bad start, "and we got together and just kind of trail-rode."

Smith, racing an RM125 for practice since he may ride one in the ISDE, made it about 20 miles before hurting his knee in a crash. Rather than risk further injury and jeopardizing his chances at the following week's GNCC (where he's tied for first in points with Andrews), Smith called it a day.

Summers continued to put time out in front and seemed to be enjoying himself, despite a bike that sounded a bit rough.

"We jetted it rich intentionally, thinking that it was going to be a little warmer and that I was going to be holding it wide open all day," Summers explained. "I think we just miscalculated a little bit."

Hatch held a lonely second place as they started the second lap. By this time, Edmondson had caught up to Andrews, who held third, with Fredette right behind them. About three minutes behind Summers, it appeared they were almost trail-riding.

"When we left the pits after the first lap, they got out of sight," Fredette said. "Once they were out of sight, I started trying to ride hard, but every time you start riding hard, you ride dumb. I got stuck quite a few times. I don't know; I just couldn't do logs today or something. Every log I'd go over, I'd be on my head on the other side, picking everything up. It was one of those days when I couldn't do much right. It was so nasty."

Though Hatch closed the gap to about 10 seconds at around the 50-mile mark, he joined Smith on the sidelines, the victim of a mechanical glitch in his RM250. That left Summers on his oft-sputtering XR with about a minute over the trail-riding duo of Andrews and Edmondson.

"It took us to the front, and we just had a good time," Andrews said. "One of us would fall, and the other one would wait or we'd come to a creek, and we'd both look. One of us would jump it and take off, and the other guy would follow, so we just played all day and had a good time."

"Once I caught up to Fred Andrews," Edmondson said, "me and Freddie just rode our own race. We were just trying to ride smart. I was just trying to get into a good position to where I could see the leaders, but that didn't happen until the second lap. I'd never done that race; I didn't know how long a lap was. I didn't know how long I had to keep that pace up for or what. But I figured in that type of race I was best off riding my own race, and that's what I did, save for the last lap, when I tried to knock it up a bit. Conditions deteriorated a lot by the last lap; they were real bad."

Summers finally surrendered the lead by the last lap.

"The first lap I was doing really good," Summers recounted, "getting over all the stumps and logs and stuff.

The second lap was pretty good. Then I just took a really bad line and just buried the bike down to the handlebar. I spent so much energy just literally lifting the whole motorcycle up out of there. Those guys caught up and passed me. I ended up taking another bad line the next lap and dropped a whole bunch of time. I wish I would've not made such stupid mistakes, because I had such a ball riding that motorcycle. I think I had a shot at winning that race."

Andrews headed out with the lead on the last lap, followed closely by Edmondson, with Summers a distant third and Fredette even further back. In fifth and making up time was YZ250-mounted Taber. This would be the "sprint" to the finish.

"We said when it came down to the last lap and we got close to the finish or whatever, we'd turn it up," Andrews said.

"We were riding together for most of the last lap," Edmondson said. "Then Freddie crashed in the mudhole. That was his race. All his grips were covered in mud."

That sealed the victory - worth \$1000 cash - for Edmondson, who finally crossed the finish line in four hours and 42 seconds. Andrews faced one more hurdle after extricating himself, however, when he had to stop to remove barbed wire that had become wrapped in his KX250.

"I just thought, 'There's no way I'm going to get second,'" he said. "I was waiting for everybody else to come around."

In fact, he had a comfortable cushion over Summers, and the GNCC points co-leader, Andrews, stopped the clock at 4:47 for second place - worth \$400. The only thumper in the top 10 came in 10 minutes later, with Summers taking home \$300.

Taber managed to get by Fredette on the last lap for the \$200 fourth-place

On an XR250R, Scott Summers led for nearly two-thirds of the race until he misjudged which way to go in a mudhole. He still placed third.



payout and beat Fredette for "first local" honors in 5:04 to Fredette's 5:08.

"I had a pretty bad start, but I've ridden this race a lot of times," Taber said. "I just kind of hung back. I've watched Jeff (Fredette) ride it many times, and that's how he always does it. I'm kind of learning from him. I finally beat him. Ten miles from the end or so, I said I'd never do it again. But it was a good time; I had fun."

Indeed, most riders admitted that the Moose Run did live up to its billing as "America's Toughest Race." They enjoyed it, though Fredette probably said it best: "It was fun, in a warped way." **CX**

Moose Run Fenton, Illinois Results: May 2, 1998

O/A: 1. Paul Edmondson (Suz); 2. Fred Andrews (Kaw); 3. Scott Summers (Hon); 4. Tim Taber (Yam); 5. Jeff Fredette (Kaw); 6. Phil Converse (Yam); 7. Jon-Erik

Burleson (KTM); 8. Mike Sampson (TM); 9. Lonnie Ross (Yam); 10. Larry Burquist (Yam).

A: 1. Tom Farris (Kaw); 2. Jeff Goss (Suz); 3. Ron Ribolzi (Yam); 4. Jesse Klimek (Yam); 5. Rich Bryan (Hbg).

VET 35+: 1. Robert Kirchner (Suz); 2. Ron Whipple (Kaw); 3. Dale Smith (Hon); 4. Greg Birkland (KTM); 5. Ben Stohl (Hon).

50: 1. Ryan Lenth (KTM); 2. Matthew Dissell (KTM); 3. Matthew Iburg (Yam); 4. Ben Bradford (KTM); 5. Aaron Lenth (KTM).

60: 1. Tommy Fortune (Kaw); 2. Eddie Sims (Kaw); 3. Jason Minnaert (Kaw); 4. Adam Bonheur (Kaw); 5. Jeremy Jorgenson (Kaw).

80: 1. J.R. Fortune (Hon); 2. Brett Deutsch (Suz); 3. Allen Wright (Hon); 4. Eddie Sims (Hon); 5. Jason Minnaert (Kaw).

0-16: 1. Charlie Deutscher (Kaw); 2. Andy Summit (Hon); 3. Brad Bush (Suz); 4. Adam McKillip (Hon); 5. Aaron Stach.

VINT PRE-'82: 1. Randy Conkling (C-A); 2. Steve Page (C-A); 3. Phil Converse (Yam); 4. Rich Dubrava (Hon); 5. San Wankett (Hon).

VINT '82-'87: 1. Jeff Fredette (Kaw); 2. Glen Fuegen (Kaw); 3. R.J. Walker (Hon); 4. Daryl Peek (Hon); 5. Jon Curry (C-A).

VINT '88-'93: 1. Michael May (Kaw); 2. Marc Manchester (Suz); 3. Matthew Sanders (Kaw); 4. Brett Patton; 5. Rod Daily (Kaw).

VINT '94-'98: 1. Dick Burleson (Kaw); 2. Lance Minnaert (Kaw); 3. Steve Fabrizio (Hon); 4. Mark Gruber (Hon); 5. John Ryan (Hon).

Briefly...

Among the 193 who rode the Saturday race (on a shorter 8-mile course that's a bit more tame than Sunday's grinder) were several of Sunday's entrants. **Dick Burleson** took the overall win on the KDX220R that Jeff Fredette would use the following day, using the Saturday event for a race test. Fredette, perhaps worried about his race bike, kept a close eye on D.B. the entire race, as he led much of the race on the '85 KDX200 he used in the '85 ISDE in Spain. Burleson strained a back muscle during the Moose Run Sunday and DNFed.

On the difference between the Moose Run and the Gilles Lalay Classic (besides the geographic variation), **Paul Edmondson** said: "The problem with the Lalay Classic is that half of the race is in daylight and half is in the dark. When you come into mudholes in the dark, you can only see one line, so that's when the problems occur. I think that's what makes that race just a little bit more unique than the Moose Run. I think the Moose Run's a good physical race. If you had to do, say, two laps of that Moose Run at night, that would be pretty cool - not that I want to put any ideas in (Bill Gusse's) head. It's a tough race. I'd say you probably just push a little bit more in Lalay. The difference is, in the Lalay you're riding over virgin terrain all the time, so what might look good, it can be soft - you can never tell, and you only get one shot at it."

Jeff Fredette turned 40 not too long ago, making him eligible for the Senior class, though he continues to be a threat at long, physical races such as the Moose Run. Still, he concedes, "I just don't ride ruts as good as I used to. I don't do anything as good as I used to."

One of the more excessive sections - "aromatically challenging," let's say - was a ditch which the course followed shortly after leaving the pits. Apparently someone used it as a dump to dispose of hundreds of **dead turkeys**, and the smell was indescribably "fowl." "Oh, it was vile," Paul Edmondson said bluntly. "I've ridden through farmyards in Europe and stuff that smelled pretty bad, but I ain't never ridden anywhere that smelled like that. It was disgusting. I tried to focus on where I was riding because every time you looked around, there were dead turkeys everywhere, so it was pretty bad. Freddie said to me he had a good look around; I said that's not for me. I wanted to shut my eyes and put a peg on my nose, it was so bad." Jeff Fredette agreed, saying, "The EPA's gotta come check that out. There's gotta be something illegal going on there. And there was somebody over there spectating, too. I'm thinking,

'Man oh man, what's wrong with your nose? I'd be throwing up by now!' It was sick."

Scott Summers enjoyed riding the XR250R: "I'd been wanting to ride the 250 for a long time, even at a National (hare scrambles), because I don't really know how I would do in real-world competition. On the stop-watch, I know that I've been faster before, even practicing at a GNCC track (which is more wide open). I didn't know - with, like, passing people in the real world - if it was going to be effective or not. It was a good test today. I think that the thing's got a lot of potential. Like I said, had I jetted it a little bit better and had I not made stupid mistakes, I think I could've been in the hunt. So I'm just really happy with the motorcycle. I had a ball. It was a fun track."

Commenting on his first trip to the Moose Run, **Fred Andrews** said, "If you can get through the first lap here, you've got it made. The first lap's treacherous. There's so many logs and trees - man, it's gnarly. But then, after that, all the Cs and stuff (make) lines around them, and then you can start going around them - except for Paul. He's Mr. Trials Rider - he goes right up everything with both feet up. I'm sitting down. Man, he's good at it."

Mike Sampson rode the Moose Run for the second time. He led much of last year until falling and hurting his hand (which will require additional surgery soon). "It went really good until the last lap," he said of this year's race. "Then on the last lap the countershaft sprocket sheared all the teeth off it. I had to come back and change it - lost probably half an hour." Comparing it to other races, he said: "About three Mid-South races together; two GNCCs together. It's an endurance race."

Asked what part of the weekend he'd remember most, **Paul Edmondson** replied, "I think the most memorable part was being in Illinois for the first time, being at a race where the guys are genuinely enthusiastic about putting on a difficult race and then coming away with the goods. Obviously, we can all talk about having stuff and saying what we can do and all that, but those guys came through, and they ran a great race and a difficult one. I'll always remember that race as being hard and pretty demanding. It was also good that there were some good guys there to ride with, as well - Freddie (Andrews) and Scott (Summers) and my teammates. Taking all that into consideration, I would definitely go back there again. I didn't know what to expect, but I'm glad I went. I think it definitely deserves the prestige that it's gotten, and I was more than happy to win it. Hopefully, it'll stand me in good stead for the GNCCs and give me the confidence I need to start doing well in them again. It's been a long haul back from injuries."

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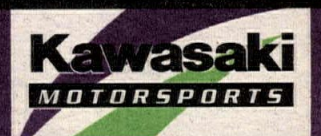
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Roger DeCoster dissects some of the greatest MX battles: Axton '90 w/Cooper vs. Kiedrowski; Budd's Creek '90 w/Stanton vs. Ward; Mt. Morris '91 w/Stanton vs. Bradshaw; Millville '91 w/Bradshaw vs. Bayle; Washougal '92 w/Swink vs. Emig. Additional "Hot Shots" focus on techniques for Kurt Nicoll in their quest for the World Championship. Narration by Larry Maier; 60 minutes from Powersports Video. \$33.95

(#65D) 1994 Motocross des Nations

After 13 years of winning the "Olympics" of motocross, the American team came up second to the British champs. You'll see how it happened in this 90-minute show from Motovideo. \$29.95

(#68) 1994 World 250cc MX Series Review

Highlights of the 13 stops on the '94 250cc MXGP Series featuring Greg Albertyn, Stefan Everts, Donny Schmit, Yves Demaria, Mamico Bervoets and Kurt Nicoll in their quest for the World Championship. 90 minutes from Motovideo. \$29.95

(#149) 1994 Budd's Creek 250cc USGP

Team Pepsi-Honda's Yves Demaria shocked the American MX fans when he won the U.S. round of the '94 250cc World MX Championship Series at Budd's Creek, Maryland. Demaria led a massive European revolt eager to beat the dominant Americans at their own round of the World Championships. 47 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#162B) '91 AMA Nat'l MX Season Review

Follow the 13 stops on the 1991 AMA National MX Series as Mike Kiedrowski duels with Guy Cooper for the #1 plate title honors; 250cc and 500cc action follow the dominance of J.M. Bayle over Stanton, Ward, and Bradshaw. Approx. 2 hours (2-tape package) from Powersports Video. \$42.95

(#162C) '92 AMA Nat'l MX Season Review

The definitive video review of the 1992 AMA National 125, 250 & 500 Motocross Series. Narrated by Larry Maier; 90 minutes from Powersports Video. \$34.95

(#162D) '93 AMA Nat'l MX Season Review

Follow the highlights of the 1993 outdoor Nationals in all 3 classes, from Southwick, Gainesville, Sacramento, Mt. Morris, Unadilla, Buchanan, Glen Helen, Troy, Millville, Washougal, Delmont and Binghamton in the chase for the 125, 250 and last-ever 500 AMA National MX crowns. 90 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#162E) 1994 AMA Nat'l MX Season Review

Narrated by Larry Maier, it's all here-highlights of the entire 1994 AMA 250cc National MX Championship Series. 60 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#2277) This Is Motocross

New to Motocross? Here's everything you need to set you up for this popular sport, from starting out to choosing bikes & equipment, what kind of clubs to join, top action & rider interviews, past heroes and modern supercross. 55 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2106) 1997 World 500cc MX Series Review

Seeing this series unfold is riveting...watch in awe as the big guns - Smets, King, and Nicoll - charge across your screen through every world round. 90 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2105) 1997 World 250cc MX Series Review

Everts, Tortelli & Bervoets lead the way through a nail-biting series that will keep you hooked from start to finish. Includes excellent commentary. 90 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2104) 1997 World 125cc MX Series Review

1997's rivalry between Chiodi & Puzar led to some great battles across mud & sand around the world. Features every round. 90 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2110) 1997 Motocross des Nations

The world's biggest motocross talents gathered in Belgium to fight for the ultimate crown. Witness what really happened the year America lost MXdN honors. 90 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

SUPERCROSS

(#50) Arenacross Madness

An action-packed music video showcasing all the best features that have made Mike Kidd's AMA National Arenacross Series such a hit with motorcycle fans all over the United States. 30 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#325B) Airtime - Thrills of Supercross

A review of each round of the 1992 AMA Camel Supercross series as Jeff Stanton, Damon Bradshaw, Guy Cooper, Jeff Matiasovich, Jeff Ward and the rest go for the gold. 60 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#325C) All Crossed Up

This review of the entire 1993 Supercross season sees the emergence of Jeremy McGrath as "the greatest Supercross rookie sensation" in history. Trying to achieve his own personal record, Guy Cooper tries all season for his first AMA Supercross win in his farewell tour of the series. 1993 also marks the final year for Damon Bradshaw, as he turns in his early retirement. 60 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#325E) Lightning Strikes Twice

A review of all 15 Coors Light Challenge rounds of the 1994 AMA Supercross Series as Jeremy McGrath steamrolled the 250cc class on the way to his second consecutive title. Also includes highlights of Eastern and Western 125cc rounds. 60 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#325F) Supermac Attack

From Orlando to Las Vegas, follow Jeremy McGrath as he collects his third consecutive AMA-sanctioned U.S. Supercross Series championship in 1995. Includes highlights of 14 rounds with behind the scenes profiles on how it all happens. 60 minutes from Motovideo. \$29.95

(#325H) Bar to Bar

Jeff Emig swipes the #1 plate away from Jeremy McGrath. See the best talent on the planet go bar to bar in this review of the entire 1997 AMA Supercross Series. Great behind-the-scenes footage and intense racing, one of the best Supercross Series ever! 70 minutes from X-Factor. \$19.95

TOURING/ROAD RIDING CRUISING

(#106A) 50 Years of Daytona

400,000 enthusiasts descended on Daytona for the 1991 50th anniversary of Bike Week. See the "Main Street" & Harley scene from the biggest year ever. 60 minutes produced by Panacom from Progressive Design. \$22.95

(#213) The Roads of Colorado

Actual footage of selected roads and points of interest throughout Colorado. This video makes an ideal tool for anyone planning a motorcycle trip through the Rockies. 90 minutes from L&M Productions. \$29.95

(#1293) Postcard from Daytona

Join the millions who make this the world's biggest & most colorful Hog party. Cruise Main Street and Daytona Beach & check out demolition derbies, stunt demos, and sunburned tourists...everything that happened away from the racetracks during Bike Week '96. 61 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

ROAD RACING

(#9) U.S. Grand Prix 1988

Real Grand Prix road racing for the World Championship revives in America as Steady Eddie Lawson and Fast Jimmy Fillebe beat the best at Laguna Seca. From Powersports Video. \$33.95

(#41) Bike Experience

Race with Wayne Gardner as you crouch over the handlebars of a 200 mph Grand Prix Honda in actual race conditions! 60 minutes. From Powersports Video. \$34.95

(#248A) 1994 AMA Superbike Series Review

Troy Corser, Jamie James, Colin Edwards, Fred Merkel and the rest fight to the finish line in this highlight video of the '94 U.S. Superbike Series. 40 minutes from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#248B) 1995 AMA Superbike Series Review

With all the familiar top names (Corser, Edwards and Russell) returning to the WSB wars after the first AMA round at Daytona, the Smokin' Joe's dynamic duo of Mike Hale and Miguel Duhamel stormed their way through the rest of America to return the U.S. Superbike Series title back to the Honda mantle. You'll see highlights from each round in this 47-minute show from Motovideo. \$24.95

(#1492) 1992 Bike GP 500 Series Review

180 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$39.95

(#1519) 1993 Bike GP 500 Series Review

180 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$39.95

(#1541) 1994 Bike GP 500 Series Review

180 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$39.95

(#1559) 1994 Bike GP 125/250 Series Review

120 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1561) 1995 Bike GP 500 Series Review

180 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$39.95

(#1579) 1995 Bike GP 125/250 Series Review

120 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1705) 1996 Bike GP 500 Series Review

180 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$39.95

(#1580) 1996 Bike GP 125/250 Series Review

120 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1721) 1997 Bike GP 500 Series Review

The complete official record of Mick Doohan's stunning season & the battles going on around him through all 15 World C'Ship rounds. 3 hours of action, on-bike camera, interviews and informed commentary. 180 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$39.95

(#1581) 1997 Bike GP 125/250 Series Review

This 2 hour official review provides some of the seasons harshest racing, packing all the 250 rounds and the best of the 125s into some scorching viewing. Includes great on-bike camera. 120 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1490) On-Bike GP Experience

Race with the best riders of the '92 GP season as the pack give chase just inches away from the camera! Superb sounds of GP bikes in action in full stereo, with rider voice-overs. 65 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1576) On-Bike GP Experience 2

All-action compilation of the best 1990's on-bike recordings right up to the last GP of '96. Jump into the hot seat with Doohan, Criville, Cadalora, Kocinski, Rainey, Schwantz, etc. as Randy Mamola's commentary guides you around all the famous circuits. 75 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1537) On-Bike Nurburgring Experience

A rare chance to "ride" this demanding German circuit & learn how the experts do it, then ride with Helmut Dahne on the fastest on-bike lap of the "Ring" ever recorded. 55 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1480) Best Bike GPs of the Decade

Re-live not just the best action from the '80s, but also the 10 very best races as chosen & presented by the stars themselves: Rainey, Schwantz, Mang, Haslam, Gardner, Pons, Mamola, Lawson, Roberts and Sarron. 55 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1494) Rainey's Year: 1992

Fascinating insights into the workings of a top GP team as the triple World Champ's greatest season unfolds under the guidance of Kenny Roberts. Follow them from testing to the final victorious race. 75 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1521) Schwantz: World Champion 1993

He may be gone from the scene - but there's no way you can forget him! Here's King Kevin on his way to winning his first World Championship, with music from Queen, brilliant race action and intimate off-track footage. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5903) Champion: Kenny Roberts

A profile of the racing career of the legendary Kenny Roberts. 69 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5904) Champion: Barry Sheene

A profile of the racing career of British GP star Barry Sheene. 65 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5932) Champion: Mick Doohan

A profile of the racing career of Australian GP star Mick Doohan. 65 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5901) Champion: Geoff Duke

A profile of the racing career of the legendary Geoff Duke. 59 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5902) Champion: Giacomo Agostini

A profile of the racing career of legendary Italian GP champ Giacomo Agostini. 75 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5900) Champion: Mike Hailwood

A profile of the racing career of legendary British champion Mike "The Bike" Hailwood. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5956) Champion: Phil Read

A profile of the racing career of legendary Phil Read. 70 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1540) Cutting Edge Bikes

Former racer Mat Oxley tests the championship GP machines of '94 including Mick Doohan's 500cc Honda, Biaggi's 250cc Aprilia, and Sakata's 125cc factory Aprilia. 72 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

"ISLE of MAN TT"

(#1070) History of the Isle of Man TT

A unique and definitive 3-part video history of the world's most famous motorcycle races, specially commissioned from David Wood, whose archive material is rarely unsurpassed. Every Senior race winner is featured and there is action footage from the very first races and every event from 1920 to 1996. A 3-tape collection every TT fan will cherish for years to come. (Part 1: The Early Years 1907-39; Part 2: The

Championship Years 1947-76; Part 3: From Strength to Strength 1977-96). 216 minutes total, from White Star/Duke Video. \$69.95

(#1002) TT Tribute

Rare footage and a must for Mike Hailwood fans. "Diamond Senior '67" was one of the most thrilling TT races ever, with Hailwood on the ill-handling Honda 4 vs the Agostini. "Winning Formula '79" covers Hailwood's 14th TT win. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1055) Golden Mountain

Two memorable Hailwood years on one video. 1961 was a wonderful record of his stunning TT Jubilee Year debut. The 1963 Senior TT cast Hailwood vs. Hartle & Read in the last glory days of Norton, Matchless, AJS...52 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1296) Mad Sunday: The Fans' TT

The other side of this magic motorcycle festival, from pubs to bands, street parties, sand racing, club meets, and lots more. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5554) On-Bike TT Experience

"Addictive", "exhilarating", "breath-taking" - just some of the reactions we've had to this unique series which lets you "ride" the fearsome IOM TT circuit on a variety of '90s machinery. Features solo & sidecar footage, stereo bike sounds and rider commentaries. 85 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5559) On-Bike TT Experience 2

Live the TT in over an hour of superb on-bike and sidecar action. 80 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#5563) On-Bike TT Experience 3

The way it really looks from the rider's eye view around the eye of man...bloody frightening! Features for the first time, on-screen data logging. Scary and totally compulsive - see for yourself why the TT is a road race like no other. 89 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1285) 1992 Isle of Man TT

A TT that British bike fans will long swear thanks to Hizzy's Senior victory on the Abus Norton and Carl Fogarty's outright record of 123.61 MPH on the last riveting, nail-biting lap. 105 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1288) 1993 Isle of Man TT

Watch Hailwood's TT record fly out the window as Joey Dunlop scores his 15th win. 105 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1295) 1994 Isle of Man TT

"The 11th Milestone"...best action from every race & on-bike footage in nearly every class (including the fastest-ever with Steve Hislop). 120 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$42.95

(#1300) 1995 Isle of Man TT

"Smokin' Joe"...full scorching story of Joey Dunlop's claim to "most successful TT rider ever". 146 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$42.95

(#1601) 1996 Isle of Man TT

"Natural Born Winners"...the longest-ever TT long review, bursting with great action, on-board cameras, chat and TT "color" in one big program. 151 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$42.95

(#1604) 1997 Isle of Man TT

"Blazing Saddles"...Over 2 hours of scorching 90th anniversary race action filmed trackside, on-bike and from the air, backed by a thundering soundtrack. 140 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$42.95

TRIALS

(#208A) 1996 Wagner Cup World C'Ship Trial

The best in the world came to the Stepping Stone Ranch in West Greenwich, Rhode Island for round #4 of the 1996 World Championship Series. See the American force put on their best effort vs. the world talent of Jordi Tarrés, Marc Colomer, Dougie Lampkin and the rest in this double-tape package. 4 hours from Technovideo. \$39.95

(#2043) This Is Motorcycle Trials

Packed with advice for beginners from maestros Sammy Miller and Steve Colley, also full of history and interesting info for developing riders. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2056) This Is Advanced Motorcycle Trials

World Championship Techniques are demonstrated and explained by 1997 Trials des Nations winner Steve Colley, including 180-degree turns, back-wheel balancing and other advanced moves. 62 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2047) Extreme Trials with Steve Colley

This brilliant tape offers one-to-one tuition from one of the world's leading trials exponents on mastering the most difficult maneuvers imaginable. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2057) Trials Superstars

The world's best in action at the 1996 Sheffield Indoor Arena Trial: 55 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#2061) 1997 Sheffield Arena Trial

Great close-up camera work shows international stars Colomer, Lampkin, Colley, etc. performing exceptional trials maneuvers over man-made obstacles, while trick-cyclist Ot Pi dazzles the crowd with his own brand of magic. 55 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#208B) 1997 Wagner Cup World C'Ship Trial

All the top riders at the top of the High Sierras compete at Norm Taylor's Donner Ski Ranch. Spectacular rock formations challenge Marc Colomer trying to keep his title crown; Dougie Lampkin ascends to the top; Japanese teenagers Kuroyama & Fujinami put pressure to the stars, Tarrés in his swan song season, and Cobos jumps to the podium. 4 hours from Technovideo. \$39.95

SPEEDWAY

(#45G) 1997 U.S. Speedway National C'Ship

In a one-night, winner-take-all format, for the 28th consecutive year, the top 16 speedway racers from the United States meet at Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa, California. Bruce Flanders, Terry Clanton, Margo King, and Scott Dalosio call the action. Features the #1 and #2 riders in the world, and the best in the US! 60 minutes from RAZ Video. \$29.95

(#5950) Champion: Barry Briggs

A career profile of legendary British world champion speedway racer Barry Briggs. 75 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

DIRT TRACK

(#182) Smooth Moves

A review of the 1990 Camel Pro Series Championship, as Scott Parker and Chris Carr duelled all year for the title. 60 minutes from Missing Link Video. \$34.95

VINTAGE

(#118) Enduring Memories

Original narrated footage of classic enduro competitions, including the 1962 & 1964 Jack Pine Enduro, and the 1959 Greenhorn Enduro. This video illustrates how the bikes changed the sport in just five years. 45 minutes from Missing Link Video. \$34.95

(#1007) Against the Odds: Jarno Saarinen

The only film made in the '70s which chronicled the short, dazzling career of one of the most talented motorcycle racers of all time. 75 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1027) Multi-Cylinder Magic

MV Agustas, Benelli's & the Honda-6, back on the tracks of Europe in '95 with the men who made them famous. A real treat for the eyes and ears! 70 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1602) TT Classic Magic

A nostalgic celebration of classic TT sights and sounds. Includes highlights of Moto Guzzi's 75th anniversary gathering, the '96 Classic Parade, VMCC rallies, club meets and unique on-classic-bike camera footage. 85 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1258) Classic Supersix '89

Join Surtees, Taveri, Minter & Marshall at the largest gathering of ex-works GP bikes since the '50s - MV's, Gilera, the supercharged '39 AJS V-4 & Porcupine and the only running Honda-6 & Norton Cosworth! 52 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#1292) Daytona Classics '96: Return of the Legends

Soak up the unique flavor of the big AHRMA Monday at Daytona International Speedway with Duke and Gilera, BMW's Battle of the Legends, Stroud on the Britten, on-bike Harley footage and more. 60 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

(#8) Castrol History of Motorcycle Racing

Three-volume series from the David Wood archives of world-class motorcycle road racing. Volume 1: How It All Began & the TT (62 minutes); Volume 2: Birth of the GP & the Japanese Arrival (73 minutes); Volume 3: The Other Champions & Pressure, Money and the Need to Win (65 minutes). From White Star/Duke Video. \$99.95

(#1069) Classic Racer Experience

Here's your chance to join Dave Roper around the Isle of Man TT circuit on a Matchless G50 with all the classic sounds and sights on the big single. 30 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$29.95

(#1034) V-Four Victory

A seriously addictive all-time best-seller with action from the '83 Ulster GP and Honda vs. Suzuki "megabike" challenge, plus a classic mind-blowing lap of the TT course with Joey Dunlop. 50 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$29.95

(#1090) Old Indians Never Die

A rare treat for Indian fans, tracing the story of a devoted group of Indian riders and their bikes on an epic rally from the US to Scotland. Also packed with wonderful bike talk and nostalgic archive footage. 38 minutes from White Star/Duke Video. \$34.95

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FREE RIDING & CRASHES

(#10) Crusty Demons of Dirt

The original out-of-control freestyle video! Jam-packed with free riding, jumping, and aerial insanity all set to a hard rocking soundtrack. Includes one of the most talked-about video scenes ever: Seth Enslow's huge dune crash. Includes action with Jeff Emig, Jeremy McGrath, Ryan Hughes, Mike Metzger, Phil Lawrence, Larry Roeseler and more. (This is the "edited" version)...30 minutes. A Flesh Wound Film distributed by Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#10A) Crusty Demons of Dirt: 2

This sequel is loaded with hardcore riding, jumping, and aerial insanity, all set to a skate/rock soundtrack. Watch these riders go off!...Jeremy McGrath, Jeff Emig, Seth Enslow, Mike Metzger, Ryan Hughes, Joel Albrecht, Mike Healey and more. Locations include California, Oregon, South Africa, Namibia and Mexico. 40 minutes. A Flesh Wound Film distributed by Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#10B) Crusty Demons of Dirt: 3

Fleshwound Films releases the '97 edition of the title that launched a thousand freestyle videos. Includes footage of Pestrana, Dymond, Seth Enslow, Hughes, Lawrence, Metzger, Stephenson, Goodman, Linkogle, Deegan, Rusty Setzer and Bubba, all with insane great stunts. Filmed around the world including Brazil, Florida and California. 35 minutes from Fox Video. **\$24.95**

(#58) Sick Air

Get sick with "Sick Air!" Follow moto-maniacs Brian Manley, Rich Taylor, Phil Lawrence and others in search of the ultimate motocross adventure. Hot new music from Purple Bosco, Razed in Black, Bracket is your backdrop to the sickest footage ever assembled on one video. 30 minutes from Motovideo. **\$24.95**

(#59) Get Off!

A high-energy compilation of all the best crashes from the Motovideo archives. Includes many never before seen "get-offs" that are truly incredible. Original killer soundtrack by Strung Out, Snuff, Wizo, Lag Wagon, and Bracket. 30 minutes from Motovideo. **\$24.95**

(#61A) Throttle Junkies

Join Damon Huffman, Mike Metzger, Mike Brandes, Craig Johnson, Brian Deegan, Nathan Fletcher and Larry Linkogle as they jam the carb needle to full tilt all over California. 30 minutes from Motovideo. **\$24.95**

(#62) WhatUp!

The new generation video from Full Throttle Production that brings out insane aerial maneuvers by featured riders Ty Davis, Jeff Emig, Damon Bradshaw, Mike Craig, Damon Huffman, Ryan Hughes, Kyle Lewis, Phil Lawrence, Marty Smith, Rich Taylor, Ray Sommo, Nathan Fletcher, and introducing "Turtle." Original soundtrack by Royal Crown Review, Crux, Voo Doo Glow Skulls, MPX, No Fun At All, Malfunktion, Youth Brigade, NO FX, Pennywise, and Rancid. 30 minutes from Motovideo. **\$29.95**

(#63) Motocross Wipeout

Hundreds of gnarly crashes featuring slow-motion replays with a music video format. Footage from motocross and supercross events around the country. 60 minutes from Motovideo. **\$19.95**

(#85) Gary Rothwell: Showtime

Gary Rothwell brings you the ultimate superbike stunt experience on this "official" video. Packed with high-speed wheelies, donuts, stoppies and includes Rothwell's 143MPH 'Sk' Record run skidding behind the bike on his test. If you've ever seen Rothwell perform, this is a "must-have" tape. 30 minutes from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#120) Terrafirma

The original big air freestyle Fox video featuring wild antics by Doug Henry, Ezra Lusk, Robbie Reynard, Ricky Carmichael, Travis Pastrana, James Stewart, and the King of Rock n' Roll. Soundtrack by Pennywise, Alice in Chains, Lucy's Fur Coat, Future Sounds of London and Soundbox. 35 minutes from Fox Video. **\$24.95**

(#120A) Terrafirma2

Incredible footage of Jeremy McGrath, Doug Henry, Steve Lamson, Robbie Reynard, Mike Metzger, John Dowd, Ezra Lusk, Ricky Carmichael, Pedro Gonzalez, and the late Donny Schmit. Soundtrack by Mad Season, Face to Face, Corrosion, Pennywise, and Sprung Monkey. 45 minutes from Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#120B) Terrafirma 3

Terrafirma is everything you'd expect in this series and MORE! More locations, riders and insanity! Filmed in France, Australia, Oregon, Utah, Maryland, Michigan, Tennessee, you'll see all the big names in motocross: Jeremy McGrath, Lamson, Metzger, Danny Ham, Dowd, Lee Hogan, Windham, Henry, Bradshaw, Ricky Carmichael. Over 30 minutes from Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#120C) Terrafirma 4

Produced by renowned snowboard filmmaker Mike Hatchet, filmed at secret locations in Chile and Canada. Other sites include Montana, Washington, Las Vegas, Southern California, Florida and the Bay Area. Riders include: McGrath, Metzger, Lusk, Windham, Torronteras, Carey Hart, Guy Perrette, Ian Pauluk, Brian McGavin, and Andy Bowyer. Music by Testament, MD. 45, and Primus. 35 minutes from Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#121) FLY

Check out this spring '96 release from Fox...featuring Fox stars Jeremy McGrath, Damon Bradshaw, Mike Metzger, Doug Henry, John Dowd, Kevin Windham, and Serge Gidetty, pulling off incredible aerial maneuvers at places like the Paris and Anaheim Supercrosses, Glamis Dunes, Secret Honda Test Tracks, White Sands, Cocotillo Wells and Gatorback. Music by Single Gun Theory, Eric B. & Rakim, Sprung Monkey, SNFU, NOFX, and Shelter. 35 minutes from Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#122) Air Raid

The first and foremost ragin' hardcore footage in motocross, snowboard, wakeboard, BMX and surfing ever compiled in one video.

Air Raid is a jam-packed assault of free riding, tube rides, jumping, crashing, and dogfights, with an awesome soundtrack. 35 minutes from Fox Video. **\$29.95**

(#123) Jeremy McGrath / Steel Roots

Highlights McGrath's incredible freestyle ability and his lifestyle as he shreds his way around the US throughout 1997. Insider look at candid and fun clips of McGrath, along with buds Jimmy Button, Mike Metzger, Guy Cooper, Grayson Goodman and Ryan Hughes. 35 minutes from Fox Video. **\$24.95**

(#130) Performance Bikes: Video Nasty

Britain's biggest motorcycle magazine goes to video with a variety of sick, stupid, funny and dangerous ways of testing the fastest sportbikes on the continent. Features include viewer's crash videos, stuntmasters Gary Rothwell performing on his superbike, trials ace Jason Finn, group tests of 900 and 600 superbikes, the '96 Frenzy event, and more extreme superbike wheelies and stoppies than should be allowed on any pavement tape. 55 minutes from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#131) Disturbing the Peace

SMP presents a film by Pat Solomon which includes Seth Enslow, Jeff Emig, Brian Manley, Mike Jones, Larry Linkogle, Tim Ferry, Anthony Pocoroba and more, with a bizarre claymation series of scenes throughout. Soundtrack includes Suicidal Tendencies, Bad Religion, NOFX, Sublime and more. 35 minutes from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#132) Moto-XXX

The debut video from Quick Fix Films featuring Mike Metzger, Kyle Lewis, Tommy Clowers, Brian Deegan, Jeff Emig and a whole cast of sick monkeys. Music by Lagwagon, Snuff, Good Riddance, NOFX, Strungout and more. Contains some explicit language and situations. 30 minutes by Quick Fix Films from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#132A) Moto-XXX 2: Hellraisers

Quick Fix Films presents the sequel to the original Moto-XXX...living up to its image, this one's even more crazy than the first. Riders include Swink, Huffman, Taylor, Pichon, Willoh, Linkogle, Roncada, Pingree, Ramsey, and more. 32 minutes from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#133) Horizontal

The first all-Aussie freestyle video features top Oz riders blasting dirt and sand dunes & getting massive air; also includes some watercraft and karting footage. Soundtrack includes top Aussie bands. 32 minutes from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#134) Organ Donors

Variety mixed with insanity is the theme of this video...Freestyle motocross, big wave watercraft action, snowmobiles blasting giant snow "dunes" in Alaska, big air on quads, trials tricks, and more. 40 minutes by Pat Solomon for Fusion Films, from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#136) Quatros Locos

Remember what the original Crusty video did for free riding? This is the video that will do the same for quads. Until you see it, you have no idea what these guys can do. Filmed throughout the USA and in England and Thailand, you'll never dis these guys again. 30 minutes from X-Factor. **\$29.95**

(#142) Full Power Trip

THOR Racing's benchmark 1997 video by Fusion Films, featuring Ryan Hughes, Larry Roeseler, Jeff Emig, Taylor, Antunez, Lewis, Willoh, Amarado, Torronteras and more, filmed in Japan, Hawaii, Mexico, and downtown LA. 30 minutes from X-Factor Video. **\$24.95**

(#147B) Mud, Sweat & Gears

Wall to wall action with flying mud, endos, loop-outs, and crashes. Footage from Ohio's Treaty City Peace Pipe Enduro shows it's a worthy successor to the gone-but-not-forgotten Blackwater 100. 60 minutes from Motovideo. **\$24.95**

(176A) Crash Impact II

Over 100 crashes & spectacular mishaps in a dozen categories of motorsports. 55 minutes from Powersports Video. **\$24.95**

(#179A) Bike Wars

The most memorable moments of mayhem including Harleys, Superbikes, Dirt Track, Isle of Man, Hillclimb, Blackwater, Pro MX and more. 60 minutes from Powersports Video. **\$29.95**

(#1793) Evel Knievel's Spectacular Jumps

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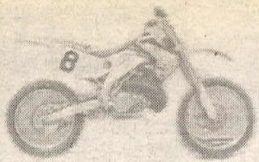
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They used to call them the dinosaurs, but not anymore. Twelve months ago, the "state of the art" in 500cc GP MX weighed in at between 253 pounds (Smets' Husaberg) and 264 pounds (Darryll King's Husky), but when the bikes went on the scales at Mantova for the opening round of the World Cham-

pionship 500cc MX Series in Italy, even the European-built four-strokes had been trimmed to a highly respectable 242 pounds.

The reason is not difficult to find. The factory Yamahas initially had difficulty meeting the class weight limit of 224.4 pounds when they appeared last

spring, but they have since become an even greater threat, and the Japanese were sure to return in '98 with an even better machine after the experience they gained in 1997. Even Smets and King were at a disadvantage if they had to drag so much weight around the championship trail this year. **CN**

By Alex Hodgkinson



HUSABERG - JOEL SMETS

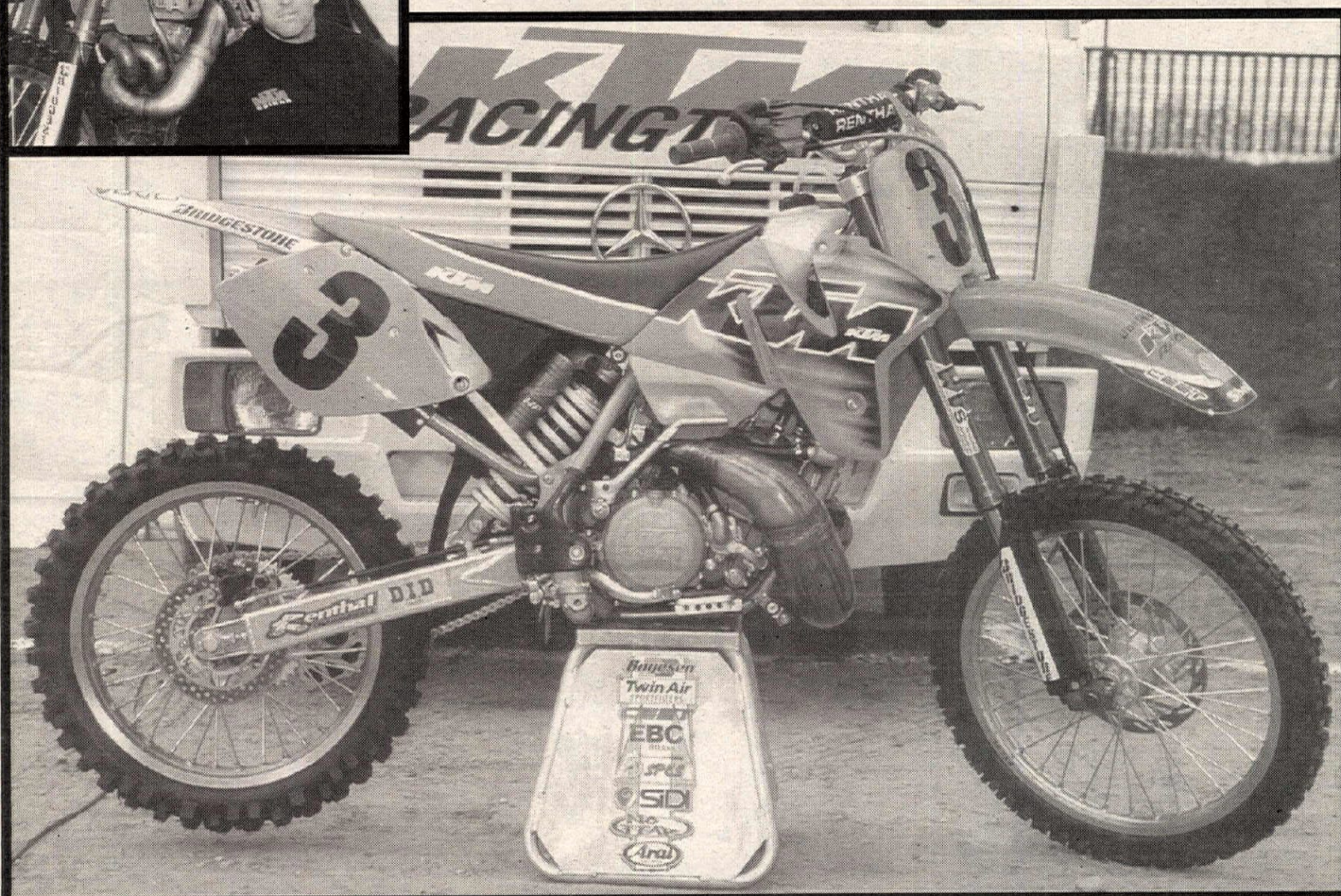
Having spent much of 1997 testing 426 (a 350 crank and 600 piston) and 440 (a stroked 350) models, Joel Smets has decided to defend his title with a full-blown 600. According to mechanic Glenn Woodman, many of the lessons learned from the smaller bikes have been incorporated in improving the engine characteristics of the 1998 factory bike - which is a true 600, not a 609 as last year. A titanium rear sub-frame is just one of the weight-saving measures and even with upside-down WP forks and foam tires, the number-one bike went through tech at 244.2 pounds, compared with 254.1 pounds last year.

HUSQVARNA - DARRYLL KING

They have been truly busy at Varese this winter, trimming a full 22 pounds off the bike by extensive use of titanium and carbon fiber, so that Darryll King's bike actually tipped the scales half a kilo less than the 'Berg. The works Husky also has new suspension - Marzocchi inverted forks and a Sachs-Boggi rear shock, which, together with minor frame modifications, have dramatically improved handling. Since these photos were taken, King has replaced the Sachs-Boggi shock with the factory Showa he used last year; as with Bartolini on the Yamaha, this is simply a matter of personal preference.



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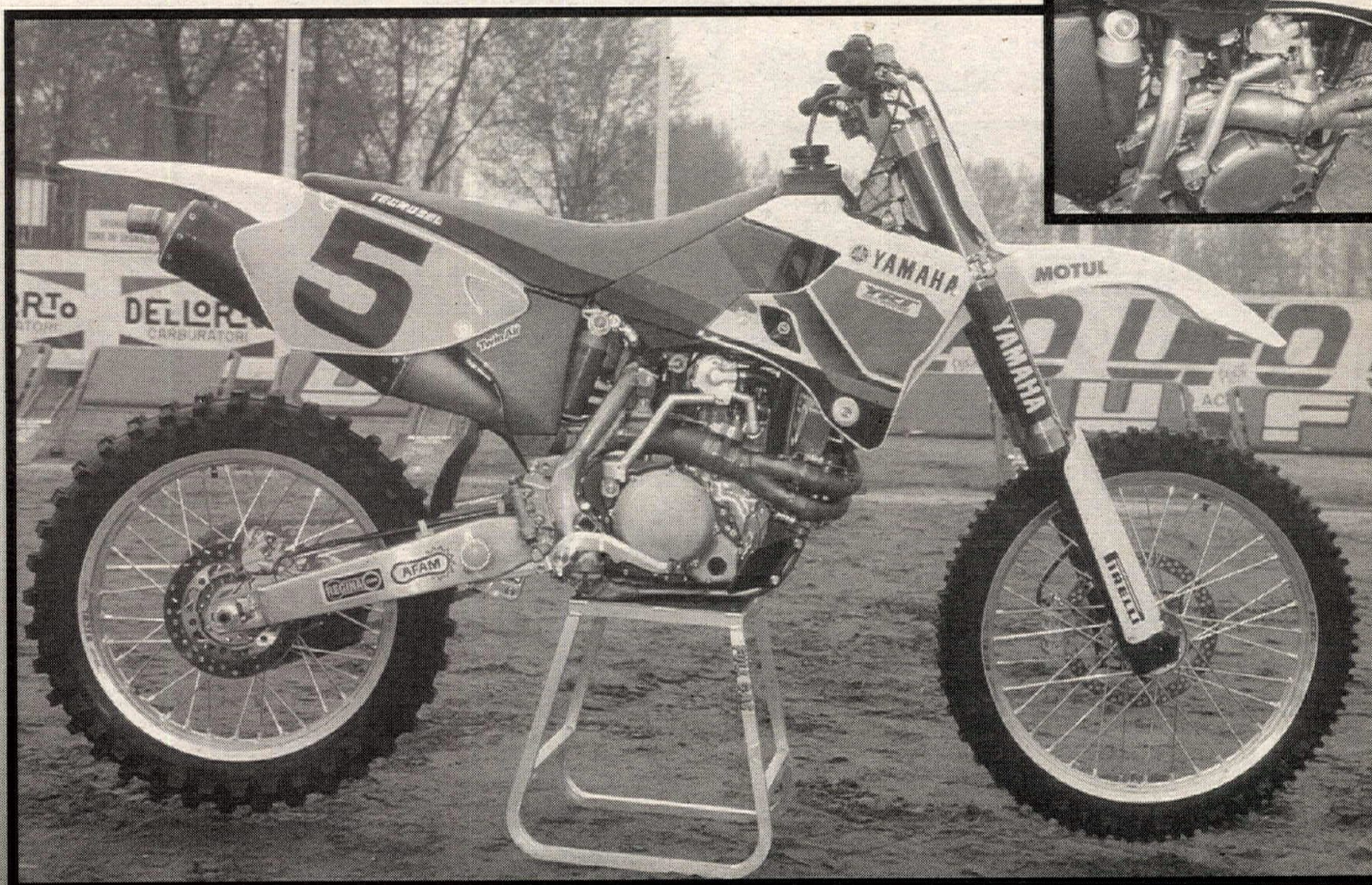
KTM - SHAYNE KING

Shayne King wheeled out the lone factory two-stroke at Mantova, and it wasn't coincidence that mechanic Hendrik Nolting turned the steering askew before we took the snaps. KTM has been playing with steering-head angles and a new frame, and it most definitely didn't work on Saturday in Italy, as the front wheel on full depression made contact with the silencer and hooked Shayne off. The Kiwi is using the PDS system this year, as well as WP upside-down forks, while the pipe was made at the factory rather than by SPES, who have allegedly been experiencing production difficulties since moving the operation to Germany. Nissin brakes are also fitted and may replace Brembo on the '99 production range. Similar systems have been fitted to Japanese 250cc GP bikes for a couple of years, but an alternative ignition-curve system for use to the first turn (which means King can start in third and does not need to shift right to the turn) has been incorporated this year. A control light is fitted next to the headstock. King's bike is a 368, but the dimensions are not standard; King's engine has a longer stroke. The bike pictured went through tech right on the class limit of 224.4 pounds, but probably had air in the tires to make that; the other bike went through at 228.8 pounds.

YAMAHA - ANDREA BARTOLINI

Yamaha has been hard at work through the winter. The four bikes went through tech at 225.5 or 226.6 pounds, so they are right back on the limit again after gradually getting heavier until they were regularly around 231-2 by the end of last summer, even without the battery for the electric starter. That particular device has been abandoned now. Much of the additional weight added during last year came from the larger radiators (double the volume of those fitted initially) needed to combat overheating, but significant use of lighter metals and compounds has counteracted that. The engine has been overhauled and both the bark and the way it pulls out of turns and up hills prove that it is much more powerful than last year's model. The EX-UP exhaust valve, taken from the company's Superbike range, undoubtedly plays a significant role. The most sensational development, however, is the dial on the headstock which enables the rider to alter the ignition timing during the race to counteract power fade in the later stages of 45-minute motos on hot days.

Rider preference sees Andrea Bartolini use Showa suspension, while Peter Johansson's bike is fitted with Ohlins front and rear.



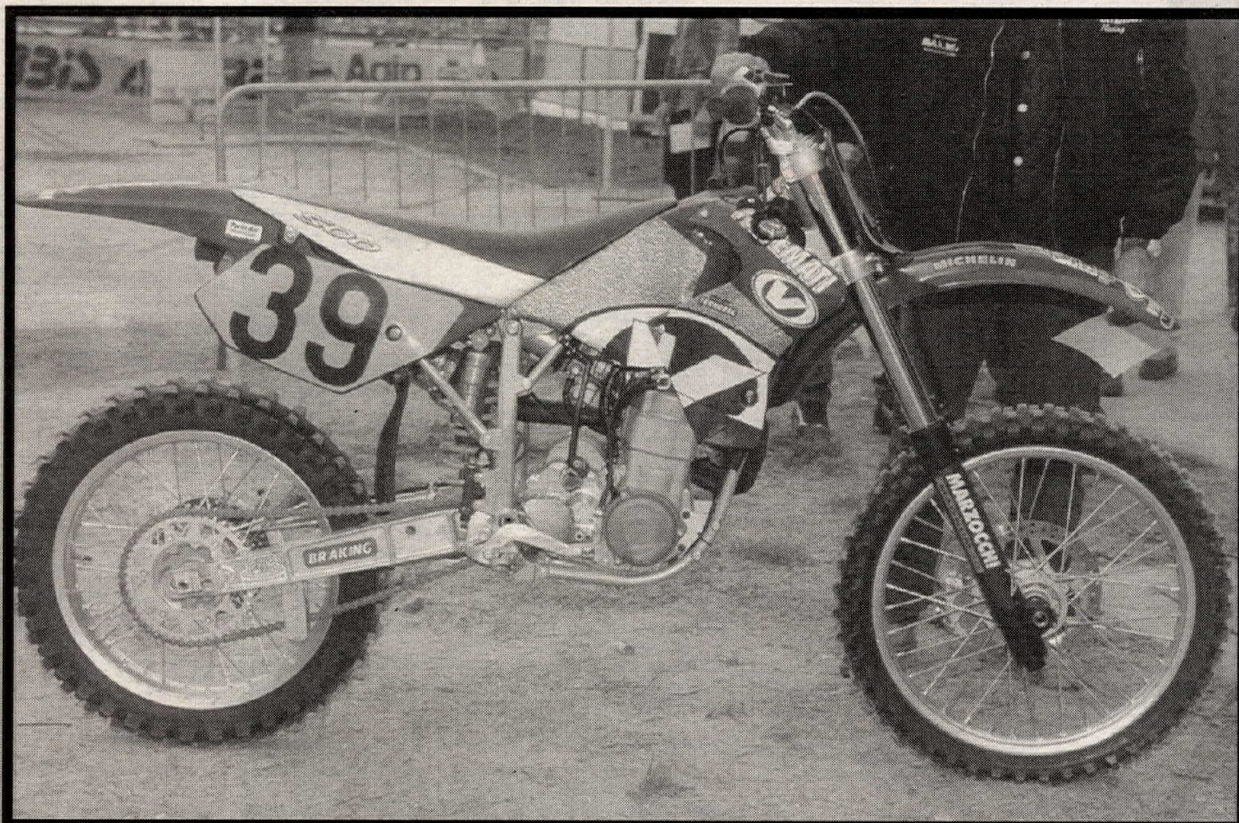


TM

Strictly a one-off experimental, there are no plans to put a 360 TM into production. According to TM's Jury Simoncini, TM intends to launch a 400cc four-stroke at the Milan Show in October. The big-bore TM weighs in at 233.2 pounds.

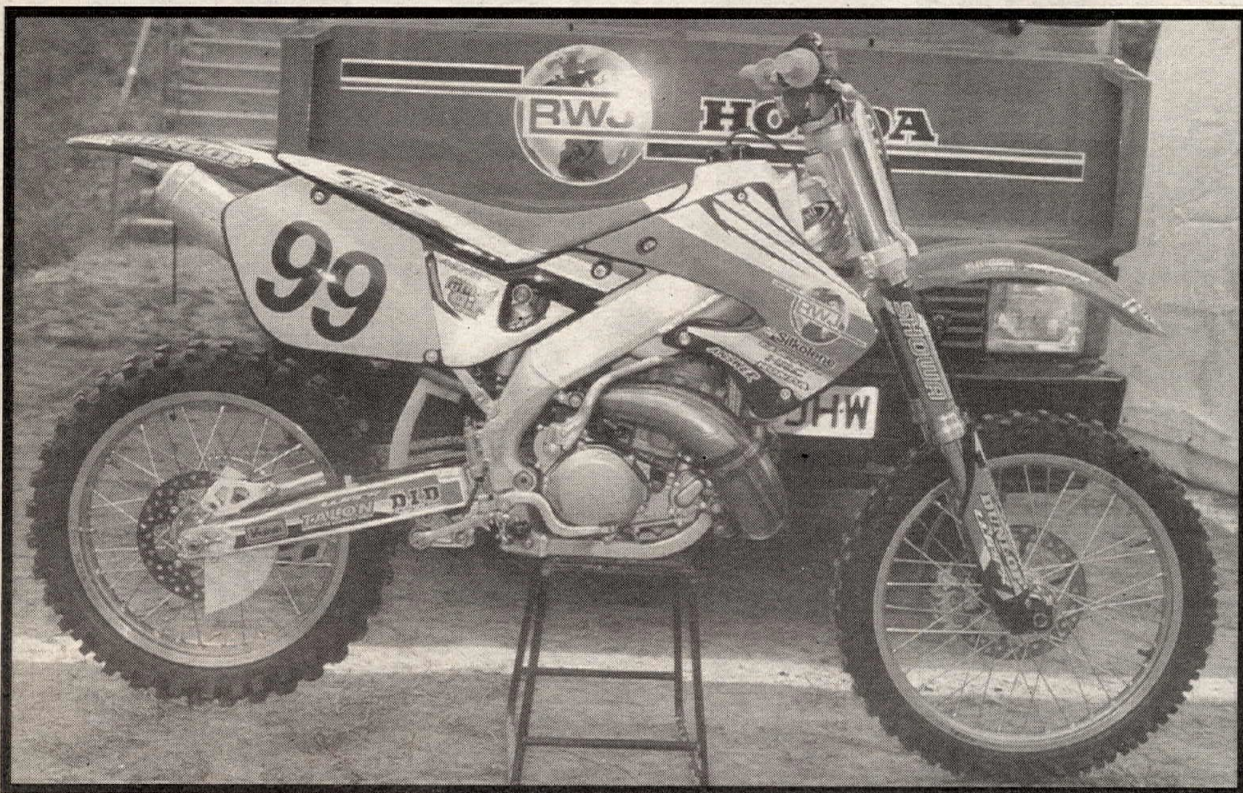
VERTEMATI - WALTER BARTOLINI

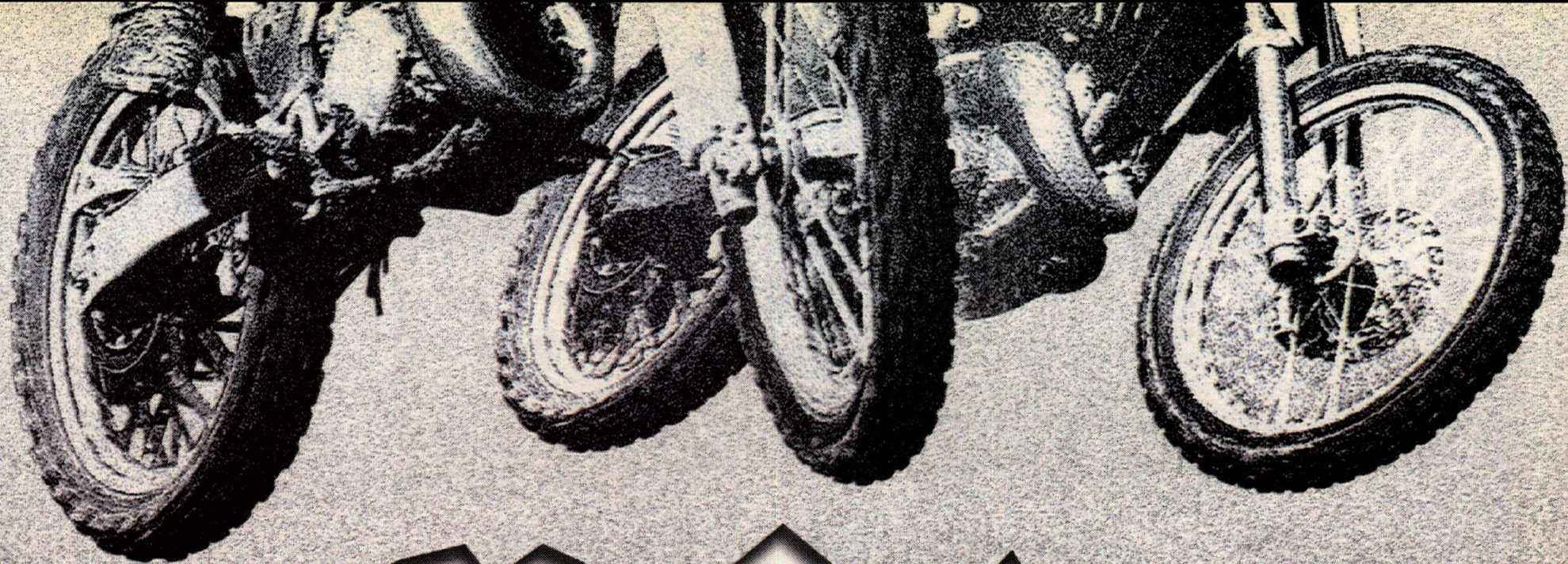
Only Walter Bartolini has had a Vertemati on show this year. It is basically standard - the production model already features the beautiful one-piece swingarm first seen in 1994. Marzocchi inverted forks replace the standard Paeoli units. The main problem is weight - at 253 pounds it was easily the heaviest bike at the gate. The engine is 493cc.



RWJ HONDA - ROB HERRING

British fans have already had plenty of opportunity to see the RWJ hybrid, but it attracted plenty of attention in the Mantova paddock as Continentals wanted to see how much cutting and welding Brian Wheeler had to do to fit the CR500 motor into the CR250 frame. It's a tight fit, but it does fit, and the handling - a concern for many before they saw it in action - is superb. Clearly the 2.08-gallon standard tank would not be sufficient for GPs, but RWJ has a variety of tanks, the most suitable being the 3.38-gallon plastic tank from America, which fits snugly around the radiator and within the cowl and doesn't have a hump, either. At just 228.8 pounds and with a very much on-form "Fish" (Rob Herring) aboard, this is very much a potential GP winner, and one to keep two-stroke fans happy.





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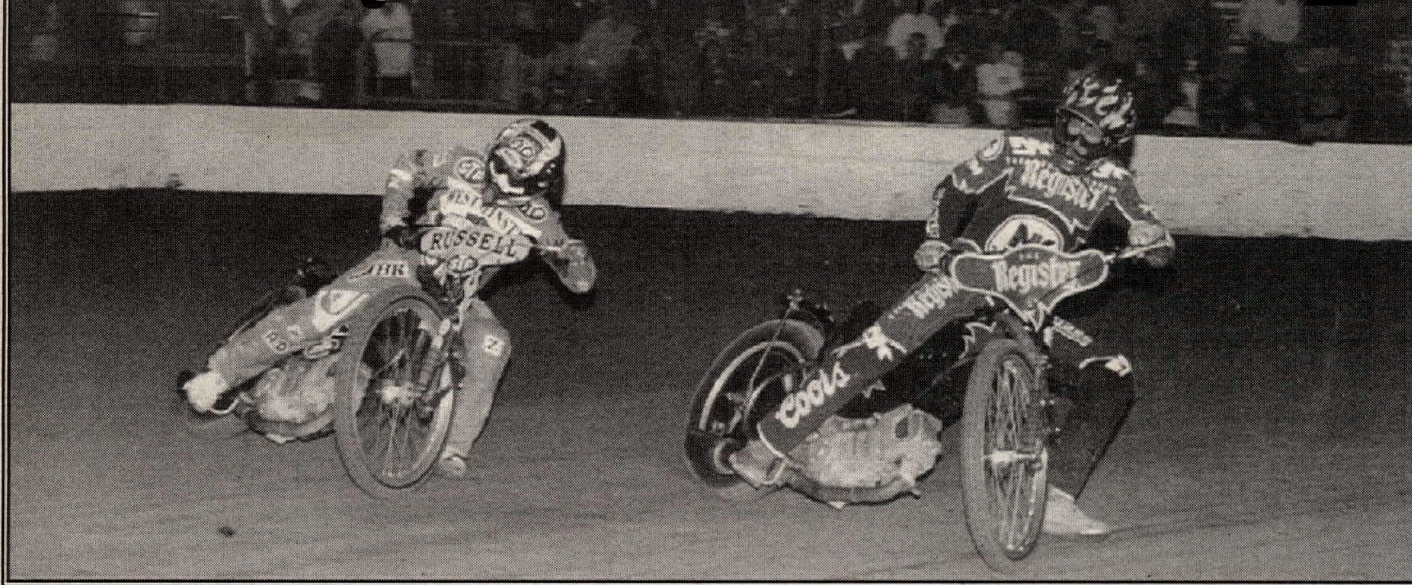
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Oxley takes the cup



By Elaine Jones
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COSTA MESA, CA, MAY 2

"Rad" Brad Oxley has been on a tear of late in the regular speedway motorcycle racing action at Costa Mesa Speedway, but when the marquis events on the 1998 SRA speedway schedule came around, insiders might have done well to guess that he would take a back seat to some of Costa Mesa Speedway's younger, speedier or more prestigious racing personalities.

But after the feature race of the 1998 Ocean Spray/Penhall Cup was over, Oxley's message to those critics was loud and clear: Guess again.

The 38-year-old former U.S. National Speedway Champion showed that he had plenty of fight left in him on the big nights as well when he came from behind and passed none other than two-time U.S. National and World Best Pairs Champion Bobby "Boogaloo" Schwartz to grab the victory in the four-lap, five-rider main event.

The event is more or less a celebration of America's most prolific speedway champion, Bruce Penhall, who brought the sport into America's homes back in the early '80s when he teamed with Schwartz to win the 1981 World Best Pairs title in Katowice, Poland. This was just the beginning for the young man from Southern California with the

surfer look, as he went on to fulfill the promise to his parents that he would be World Champion. Before 90,000 fans at London's Wembley Stadium, Penhall became the first American in 44 years to earn the individual title in what was called "one of the most electrifying performances in the sport's history." He also went on to captain Team USA to its first World Team Cup Championship at Vojens, Denmark. On August 28, 1982, Penhall became the first American to win the World Individual Championship two times, accomplishing the feat before his home fans at Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. He retired from speedway while on the podium that night, but has since returned to the motorsports spotlight as the driver of the Ocean Spray offshore racing powerboat, where he and longtime friend Dennis Sigalos have gone on to even more World Championship victories.

The format for the Ocean Spray/Penhall Cup was an all-scratch format. Three rounds of scratch racing, five riders, four laps. Points were awarded 4-3-2-1-0. The top 10 riders on points would advance to semis, with the top two from each semi going directly to the main. The rest have one more shot in the last-chance qualifier.

ROUND ONE

In the first heat, Charlie "The Edge" Venegas cut the best gate and got to the corner first. Gary Hicks came out of two

and was right on Venegas' rear wheel, and he was able to get underneath Venegas on the second lap and take over the lead and come away with the win. Venegas was still good for second, with Brian Pappalardo third. The last point went to "Fast" Ed Castro.

"Dukie" Ermolenko exploded off the pole in heat two and went wire to wire. Charlie Cooley was second, with Randy DiFrancesco and Johnny Walker rounding out the field. Shawn "Mad Dog" McConnell ran into trouble early and ended up in the turn-two wall. He would have a lot of ground to make up.

Oxley came out on top from gate three in heat three, and the field was no match for his Russell-prepared laydown GM. Jason Chism picked up second place, with Kon Baur third. Richard Jones got by Gary Ackroyd at the flag for fourth when Ackroyd lost his kill switch out of turn four.

The final heat of the round belonged to Schwartz, who came out of the fourth gate and used "round" riding style, which makes him almost impossible to pass. Following him home were Chris Manchester, Paul Colston and Paul Binnquist.

ROUND TWO

Schwartz started the second round of heats with another convincing wire-to-wire romp. This time he came from the far outside and effortlessly put himself in the lead from the get-go. Ackroyd

bounced back from his bad first heat and picked up second, with DiFrancesco third and Brian Burch fourth. Hicks was on track in his second round and dueled with Manchester from the start to come away with his second win of the night in heat six. Manchester was second, with Venegas, hoping for the mistake that never came, third. The final point went to Chism.

It took a couple of tries to get the next heat off, but when all was said and done, it was Castro who put his first heat win in the books as he topped Baur, Walker and Colston. McConnell's problems continued as his wreck in the first heat had apparently damaged his rear wheel; his bike refused to turn left. Oxley continued on his winning ways, as he got the jump on the field and easily won the final round. Ermolenko was second, with Pappalardo and Skinner third and fourth.

Two rounds were in the books and three riders were sitting with perfect scores. Hicks, Oxley and Schwartz were tied with eight points each. One point back was Ermolenko, and there was one more round left before the semis.

ROUND THREE

This was the final round, and with 10 spots open for the semis, this is where the riders had to make it happen.

Manchester, getting stronger with every heat, put a beautiful ride together, going the distance from the outside gate to win over Ackroyd, Skinner and Pappalardo in heat nine. Castro was totally fired up as he cut a great gate in his final ride and outran Ermolenko, Burch and DiFrancesco in heat 10. Schwartz was unable to pull off a clean sweep when he touched the tapes on his final go in heat 11 and was penalized 20 yards. Venegas wasn't too disappointed, as he had a great ride, with his biggest challenge coming from McConnell, who brought out another bike and made a race of it. McConnell picked up the second spot, but it was too little too late, and he failed to qualify on points. Chism, having a great night, finished up third, with Schwartz picking up the last point.

Walker then rained on both Oxley's and Hicks' chances of a perfect score, as he went wire to wire in the final heat. Both Oxley and Hicks got stuck in traffic early, and that was all Walker needed. Hicks got through on the white-flag lap to take second, with Oxley staying ahead of Colston for third.

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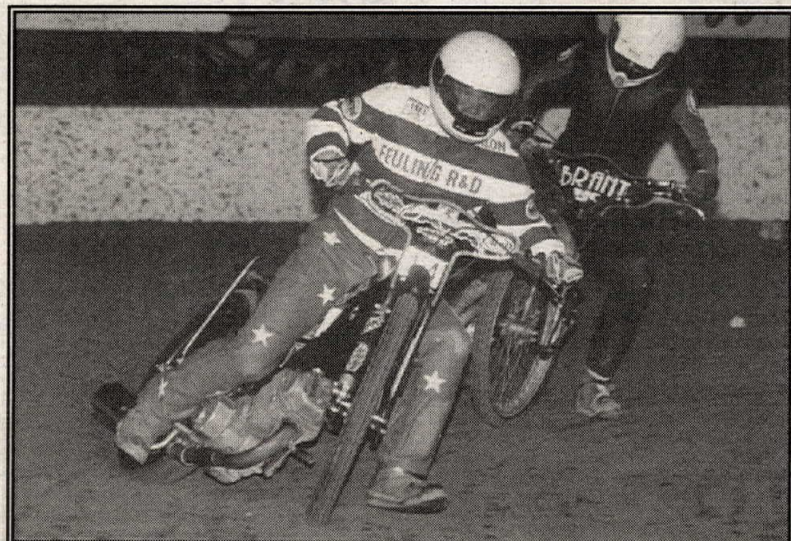
The first semi had Hicks on the pole, with Schwartz in two and Ackroyd in three. On the outside it was Walker in four and Ermolenko in five. Schwartz

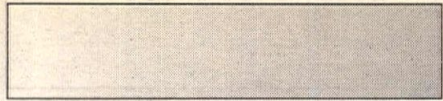


(Above) Brad Oxley (right) made a critical pass for the lead in the closing stages of the Ocean Spray/Penhall Cup final to rob Bobby "Boogaloo" Schwartz (left) of the win at Costa Mesa Speedway. Oxley has won two of three Scratch main events since the season opener.

(Left) Sidecar studs: Parke Weaver and Bob Brayton grabbed an epic holeshot and never looked back en route to victory in the Mission Yamaha Sidecar main event.

(Right) Allon McBee continued to improve his speedway skills, as he marched to the win in the all-handicap Support main event. McBee is an AMA Grand National Championship dirt track license holder.





cut a great gate and was gone, leaving the battle for second between Ermolenko and Hicks. Ermolenko held on for two laps, but when the white flag came, Hicks turned it up a notch and got underneath to take over second. Schwartz and Hicks took the direct transfers, while Ermolenko and Ackroyd had one more shot in the last-chance.

The second semi was one of the best races of the night. Oxley drew the pole, with Chism in two and Castro in three. On the outside, Venegas was in four and Manchester in five. When the tapes went up, Venegas, Manchester and Oxley were close enough to blanket, and all three were on the gas. Venegas was in the lead, but by the slimmest of margins.

Manchester was working the outside for all it was worth, and Oxley was trying to make the pole work for him. On the second lap, Manchester came through one and two so close to the ground that it looked like he would be picking himself up from it. But he made it through and was able to outrun Oxley from the outside to take the second spot.

Venegas and Manchester were on their way to the main and Oxley and Chism were on their way to the last-chance.

Because of a referee's error in the semis, Castro was allowed to take a place on the line in the LCQ. Ermolenko drew the pole, with Oxley in two and Castro in three. Ackroyd drew four, with Chism in five. Ermolenko got the start, but Oxley went down low and took over the lead at the end of lap one. When Oxley is out in front, he is as deadly as any rider in the field, and it was "Rad" Brad who earned the final spot in the final.

OCEAN SPRAY/PENHALL CUP FINAL

The best of the best lined up for the final race of the night, with Schwartz on the pole, Hicks in two and Oxley in three. Venegas drew gate four, and Manchester was on the far outside in five. When the gate came up, Schwartz dropped the hammer and jumped into the lead. Venegas came from the outside to take over second, with Oxley third and Hicks fourth.

On the second lap, Hicks was struck down with motor problems for the third week in a row, allowing Manchester to grab the fourth spot. Oxley then started making the inside of the track work, and he ever so slightly got a wheel ahead of Schwartz. It was still way too close to call, as Schwartz was working a higher line and the two were drag-racing on every straightaway. But on the final lap Schwartz got too high coming out of turn four, and Oxley brought it on home for the win. Venegas was third with Manchester fourth.

In other racing action, Bob Brayton and Parke Weaver also made good use of the pole as they outgated the Sidecar field and went wire to wire in their main event. The Support class ran an all-Handicap program, and Allon McBee, a flat-track racer, came from the 10-yard line to overtake Gerry Duttwieler with one lap in the books and go on to the win.

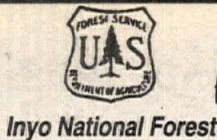
Orange County Fairgrounds
Costa Mesa, California
Results: May 2, 1998

PENHALL CUP FINAL: 1. Brad Oxley (GM); 2. Bobby Schwartz (GM); 3. Charlie Venegas (GM); 4. Chris Manchester (Jaw); 5. Gary Hicks (GM).

SDCAR: 1. B. Brayton/P. Weaver (Hon); 2. A. Hall/D. Votaw (Kaw); 3. J. Matherson/S. Cole (Yam); 4. J. Carr/M. Moreno (Yam).

SUP: 1. Allon McBee (Jaw); 2. Robbie Sauer (Jaw); 3. Sean Larned (Jaw); 4. Mark Adams (Jaw); 5. Rick Bishop (Wes).

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By Kent Taylor

Currently third in the nation, Jess Kempkes is seeking his first trials number-one plate.

The relationship between a boy and his bicycle is something that doesn't really have to be explained. The freedom granted by the power of mobility is followed soon by the fantasy that you are Scott Parker, Geoff Aaron or Jeremy McGrath, sans motors. So when a 13-year-old Jess Kempkes discovered that his own trials bicycle had been lifted, swiped, pilfered from his dad's trailer, gone forever, there was only one thing that could have eased his pain, only one other steed that could provide the young man with that same feeling that the world and all of its rocks, hills and steep walls belonged to him.

His replacement? A sleek, new 180-pound Gas Gas 250, compliments of Gas Gas USA. Yeah. That will work.

The big heist took place back in 1991, when Nebraska's Jess Kempkes was attending a trials' riding school in Kansas City. That was when he first caught the eye of Gas Gas' Andrew Codina, who served as a scout for the small Spanish company. Codina was making regular trips from Spain to the United States, conducting trials riding schools, and while teaching, he was also on the lookout for the next Dougie Lampkin. Finding favor in Codina's Spanish eyes means you are something special, somebody who possesses an ability to ride a motorcycle in a fashion that most others can only think about doing.

"I was riding an old Beta and wearing some really raggedy old clothes when I went to Andrew's school in Kansas City," recalls Jess, sitting in the living room of his family's home in Lincoln, Nebraska.

So ratty was the motorcycle that even the bicycle thieves passed it over.

"I had never had a new motorcycle," he remembers, "and now I was getting not only a bike, but also new gear and some money. It was great. There weren't too many strings attached. I just had to ride the bike."

Ride the bike he did, scoring the win at each of the five rounds of the 1992 NATC High School series. As a result, his sponsorship package became even sweeter, and Kempkes proved well worth the investment with a fourth-place finish in the 1993 Champ class, the premier class of the sport. It was the highest finish ever by a rookie.

Trials in the United States may be breathing in its second - or third - wind, depending upon how one evaluates success. There was a time when each of the Big Four offered a trials model to the American riders, who could then dream about being like Marland Whaley or Bernie Schreiber, the Bultaco-mounted Yank who was the world's best for a short time. But times have changed, and today no American rider ranks in the top 10 in the world. Trials buffs in the United States were made painfully aware of that fact in 1996, when America hosted an actual World Trials Round at California's Stepping Stone Ranch. Geoff Aaron, America's best, fared no better than 18th, two spots ahead of a young Nebraskan named Jess Kempkes. But while Aaron is a talented three-time champion and a great promoter of his own feet-up skills,

a longtime NATC insider boldly states, "Everyone is looking at Jess as the great American hope."

Jess is now 20 years old, and three years have passed since his graduation from Lincoln's Northeast High School, where no one really understood what trials is all about.

"I would tell them 'trials' and they'd ask, 'Is it like motocross?'" says Jess, with a slight groan. "I said 'No, it's climbing over obstacles.' And then they'd go, 'Whoa... a stunt man!' It finally got to where, when I told them I was going off to a national and they would ask me if it's motocross, I just said, 'Yeah, that's it.'"

Because trials is an amateur sport, the big dollars that have arguably benefited professional motocross are not part of the scene. Still, Jess' knack for keeping his feet on the pegs has netted him valuable experiences, such as trips to Northern Ireland and Spain, where he studied with the best in the sport for nearly a month. During that stay, he

rode in the Spanish round of the World Championship Series.

"The course there just blew me away - every single section," Kempkes says. "It was like nothing I've ridden over here. One of them was near the ocean, and you had to drop in off of a 5-foot wall and then jump over another really big wall. But you had to time it with the ocean, or else this huge wave would come in and just blast you. It was crazy."

In 1995, Jess stayed feet-up long enough to nab his first-ever overall win at El Centro, California. Though winless in 1996, Kempkes finished third in points last year and kicked off 1998 with a win on the opening day of the U.S. Trials Series in Brooksville, Florida. With his dad, Rod, at his side, Kempkes seems to have the best shot at wresting the title away from Beta-mounted Aaron.

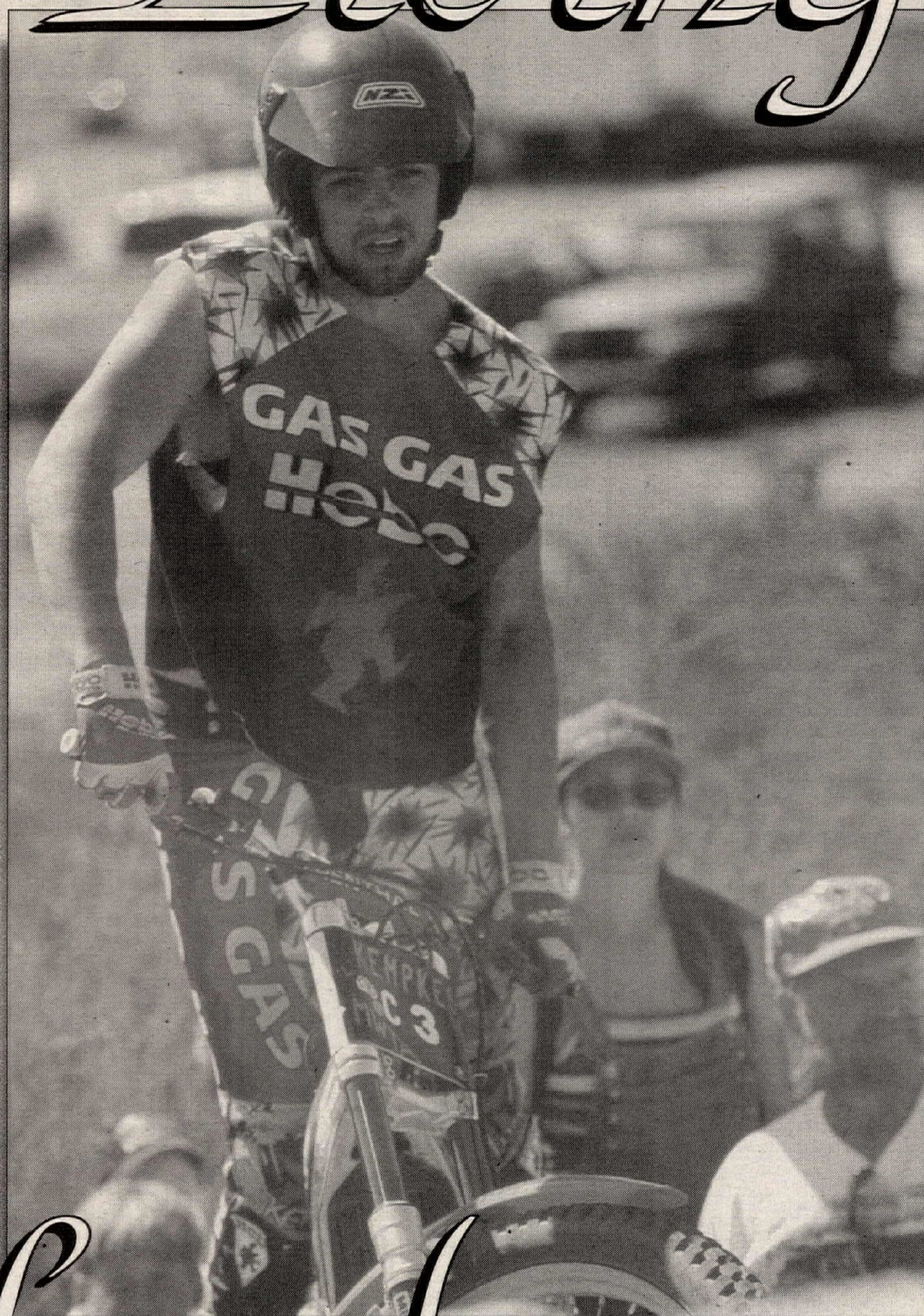
"It is a very different sport here than in Europe," says Rod Kempkes, who has been riding trials for more than 20 years.

"Over there, it's like gymnastics at the Olympic level. The kids are in training at an early age. By the time you are Jess' age, you need to be fully sponsored and training full time if you really want to be a world champion."

Perhaps to the dismay of those who have labeled him as America's "great hope," Jess says being on top of the world isn't really in his plan.

"That's pretty much out of the question," he says, without much hesitation. "I sloughed off a little last year, not really training, and I'm going to change that this year, but it did hurt me some. I think it's basically too late for me."

That, however, is little consolation for his stateside competition. With continued help from Gas Gas, Rising Sun Imports and, of course, his dad, Rod, it's not too late for Jess Kempkes to be thinking about a national championship. And once he has that, it may take more than just a sticky-fingered thief to steal it away from him.



the dream



By John Dickinson
File Photos by Dickinson

SAN MARINO, APR. 25-26

The observing rules may have changed drastically for the 1998 World Trials Championship, but it has made no difference whatsoever to the result. Doug Lampkin was virtually unbeatable last year as he stormed to his first world title and so far this year he is even further ahead of the field.

This week, the setting for Doug's Double was San Marino. This is another of Europe's several tiny principalities - political tax havens - similar to Monaco and Andorra. San Marino is a postage-stamp-sized area nestled in northern Italy. The weekend of the trial it was particularly crowded because just down the road was the San Marino Formula One car Grand Prix and close to 200,000 Ferrari-mad Italians had poured in to flood the surrounding area - and snap up all the accommodations.

For Lampkin, there was the satisfaction of a full-house six wins from six starts in the championship this year. The big surprise was that second overall for the weekend went to fellow Brit Graham Jarvis. His factory Scorpas certainly seems much more fit in the engine room this year and Jarvis has also worked hard on his technique.

The San Marino trial consisted of the standard 15-section, two-loop format for each day's competition, and most felt that the level of section difficulty was just about perfect. Only Lampkin managed to post single-figure scores for each loop. Jarvis managed the feat twice on Sunday, as did Spaniard David Cobos during an epic opening-day ride. Takahisa Fujinami had an excellent second loop on Saturday, while a de-tuned Marc Colomer finally got his act together on the final lap of the weekend with the pressure off after a lackluster opening loop.

On Saturday, the action began with a couple of sections set on a steep hillside, with the first featuring a dramatic drop-off. This caught Jarvis out for a five on his second circuit as he high-sided the Scorpa on landing from the drop. Another victim here was slightly built Japanese ace Kenichi Kuroyama. The second was a climb ending in an off-camber turn that caught out Gas Gas riders Steve Colley and Bruno Camozzi as they failed to carry enough speed onto the turn.

Sections three and four were set in an old quarry and Jarvis was unlucky here, collecting a maximum at his first attempt, while Colomer dropped off the pace with a five on the second loop.

The next five sections were all set in a wide riverbed which was super-slippery, thanks to its claylike composition. The sections swooped up and around the bankings and over large rocks. There was nothing even remotely dangerous in here but absolutely no one escaped penalties. Lampkin needed two prods. Cobos was excellent with a dab. Camozzi was actually progressing, but then fived in the final section here.

The remaining big group of sections saw a ride to another quarry for five technical sections on the varied rockery which quietly extracted one- and two-mark penalties rather than crashing maximums. It was still easy to take a five if concentration wandered, as Colley found out to his cost.

At the end of the opening lap, Lampkin was in front on four, but Spanish teenager Cobos was right behind him on five. There was then a big gap to Colomer and Amos Bilbao, who were both on 14.

Guess who

(Right) Doug Lampkin proved unbeatable once again, as he stormed to his third double win of the season. (Below right) Spaniard David Cobos was impressive on Saturday, placing second to Lampkin. He failed to back it up, however, finishing 10th on Sunday.



On the next lap, Lampkin really had the measure of the sections and he eased around for an incredible two. Cobos couldn't stand the pace and a pair of fives helped take him to 14 for the lap, while Fujinami charged on the Honda for a loop of eight. Lampkin was home and dry while Cobos did enough early on to hold an excellent second as Jarvis held off Fujinami for third on the most-cleans rule, which he took by a massive margin of 20-14.

On Sunday it was business as usual for Lampkin, who was operating on autopilot, knocking off 25 cleans from the 30 sections. Only once was the field reminded that he was human, when he collected a rare five on the second loop. And it was countryman Jarvis who was closest to derailing the well-oiled Lampkin locomotive.

Following an opening lap of three, the five rocketed Lampkin's score to a disastrous eight (!) and Jarvis' confidence was boosted as he actually beat the world number one on the loop.

The easier sections, compared to those seen in Britain at the previous round, made it very much closer down field as "Fujigas" motored in to a fine third behind the victorious Brits.

The big disappointment was Cobos, who crashed to 10th after two disastrous loops. Colomer isn't showing the form he has in the past - he was World Champion in '96, after all - and with a confident Jarvis on the upswing, his second-place bib seems to be under attack. His fourth on Sunday didn't help his cause. **CN**

San Marino World Trial San Marino

Results: April 25-26, 1998 (Round 3 of 10)

Saturday

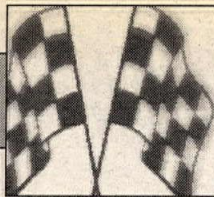
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Sunday

O/A: 1. Doug Lampkin (Bet) 11; 2. Graham Jarvis (Sco) 16; 3. Takahisa Fujinami (Hon) 22; 4. Marc Colomer (Mon) 27; 5. Kenichi Kuroyama (Bet) 32; 6. Marcel Justribo (G-G) 39; 7. Steve Colley (G-G) 39; 8. Diego Bosis (Mon) 42; 9. Amos Bilbao (G-G) 43; 10. David Cobos (G-G) 45; 11. Bruno Camozzi (G-G) 47; 12. Albert Cabestany (Bet) 54; 13. Marc Freixa (Bet) 55; 14. Joa Hindren (G-G) 55; 15. Jose Alcaraz (Mon) 55.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OBSERVED TRIALS SERIES POINT STANDINGS (After 3 of 10 rounds):
1. Doug Lampkin (120/6 wins); 2. Marc Colomer (83); 3. Graham Jarvis (81); 4. Kenichi Kuroyama (69); 5. David Cobos (69); 6. Takahisa Fujinami (66); 7. Steve Colley (54); 8. Amos Bilbao (52); 9. Bruno Camozzi (42); 10. Marcel Justribo (39); 11. Diego Bosis (34); 12. Joachim Hindren (16); 13. Albert Cabestany (13); 14. Jordi Pascuet (12); 15. Marc Freixa (12).





EVENTS

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AMA/NETRA Hare Scramble Series, Round 2

Timothy's first

By Cheri Alix
Photos by Paul Clipper/Trail Rider Magazine

MODENA, NY, APR. 26

Midtown Kawasaki's Patrick Timothy blasted through the torrential rain and mud to take his first-ever NETRA Hare Scrambles win at the Lembo Lake Hare Scrambles.

The second race of the NETRA Series was run at Lembo Lake under the usual conditions: cold, with lots of rain. The day started out great, with overcast skies, but by the time the Novice event was under way, the skies opened up. The rain became increasingly heavy as the day progressed, and a course that would have been awesome soon became a big, rutted-out mudhole. Thankfully, the club had redesigned the usual course, eliminating all swampy wood sections. The new course was 7 miles long and consisted of single-track wood sections, a small motocross track just behind the pit area, and lots of apple orchards to weave in and out of.

Even with its reputation for being one of the nastiest races in the series, almost 450 riders were on hand, more than 250 of whom were novices. The AA line was the smallest class, with only 10 riders on hand. The Expert/Amateur event was originally scheduled for seven laps but the club added an extra lap at the last minute, making for an eight-lap race.

As the flag dropped, it was C-Cycle/Spectro/FMF-sponsored Timothy taking the holeshot, followed by Ronnie's Cycles' Todd Levesque, Putnam Kawasaki's Luke McNeil and VMR/Yamaha's Tom Norton. The riders made a few zigzags around the apple trees, through the MX track, and then went into the woods. There was so much mud flying that by the time the riders hit the woods, their goggles were useless. This was much to Timothy's advantage, as he had a clear shot out in front and began pulling away from the pack instantly.

Levesque, McNeil and Norton battled it out for most of the first lap. Levesque was the first to go down, sliding out in an orchard, allowing McNeil and Norton to get by. McNeil didn't like to be in front and allowed Norton to take over second place, following his lines. By the end of the first lap, Timothy had put 42 seconds on the pack, with Norton coming around in second place just four seconds ahead of McNeil. Levesque was still in fourth place, down only three seconds more, while Ken Law rounded out the top five another minute back.

Timothy continued to increase his lead on the second lap, coming around

(Right) Patrick Timothy rode his KX250 to his first-ever overall win in NETRA competition when he held off Tommy Norton to win the messy Lembo Lake Hare Scrambles.

(Below) It was so muddy that this guy may never know that he got his picture in *Cycle News*. Where did he finish? Who knows?



just under one minute ahead of second-placed Norton. Levesque was now in third place, back only seconds, with McNeil close behind. The four riders were pulling away from the rest of the pack, putting more than two minutes on fifth place, which was now held by Brian Lawson.

The pace soon started to slow, however, as the rain became increasingly heavier and the leaders started to run into lapped traffic. Lappers got in the way as Norton and Levesque battled for second place on the fifth lap. Norton got hung up in traffic, which allowed Levesque to take over second place. The two riders hung together as they came into the final field section.

"I just forgot about the sharp turn," said a disappointed Levesque after the race. "We were flying down the trail and I saw the turn, but it was too late. I

couldn't make it and I just blew right through the turn. I went right off the course and crashed, tweaking my wrist real good."

The incident ended Levesque's day and moved Norton into second place, with Timothy in sight.

"I had a great four to 4 1/2 laps," Timothy said. "I didn't fall once until near the end of the fifth lap. I slid out in a field. When I was getting up, I saw Norton coming and I pinned it. I made it to the last section just before the barrels, when I slid out again and Norton got by me."

Norton took over the lead at the end of the fifth lap but had to pit for goggles and came out of the pits alongside Timothy, with the two hitting bars. Norton had the inside line and held on to the lead.

"I just stayed right on Norton through the motocross track, but there was just no way I could get by," Timothy stated. "When we hit the woods, we instantly hit lappers. Two lappers fell, blocking Norton's path. I was able to pull out of the rut on high ground and get away."

By the sixth lap, the track was destroyed. With everyone covered from head to toe in mud, distinguishing between riders was almost impossible. Most riders had completely given up on their goggles by this time, and their faces were covered in mud as well. At this point, the club decided that eight laps was a bad idea and cut the race back to the original seven laps. As they came around for their final lap, Timothy still had the lead with twenty seconds on Norton. Luke McNeil was now in third place, Open Expert rider Kris Mooney was down over a minute in fourth place, and Lawson maintained fifth.

Norton had once again caught sight of Timothy on the final lap, but he crashed in a mudhole as soon as he got within striking distance.

"Everything was going good on the last lap," Norton explained. "I could see Timothy in front of me and was going for it, but I crashed in a mudhole. As I was getting up, I went to put my foot down on the other side and there was nothing there. My short legs weren't long enough to hold me up and I went right over the other side. I was covered. I ended up having to remove my goggles and figured it was going to be a second-place day."

Timothy went on to take his first-ever NETRA win, completing the seven-lap race with a 1:20 lead over Norton. McNeil finished third for the day, down another 6:30. Mooney took fourth overall for the day, coming around just 20 seconds behind McNeil to earn the Expert-class win as well. Rounding out the top five was AA rider Brian Lawson.

The 200cc Expert class had a close battle between the top three riders for most of the day, with Jess Berthiaume taking the class win with just three seconds on Chris Crispin. Settling for third place was Nathan Kanney. Berthiaume and Kanney had battled it out earlier in the day in the Junior class. Berthiaume had taken the early lead in the Junior event, but Kanney passed him just before the barrels on the first lap. Kanney was able to hold Berthiaume off for the last two laps to take the win. **CN**

NETRA Lembo Lake HS Modena, New York

Results: April 26, 1998 (Round 2)

GRAND CHAMP: Patrick Timothy (Kaw).

O/A A: Kris Mooney (Yam).

O/A B: Dave Clark (Hon).

O/A C: J. Price (Hon).

AA: 1. Patrick Timothy (Kaw); 2. Tom Norton (Yam); 3. Luke McNeil (Yam); 4. Brian Lawson (Yam); 5. Arthur Menzel (Kaw).

200 A: 1. Jess Berthiaume (Yam); 2. Chris Crispin (Hon); 3. Nathan Kanney (Suz); 4. Bob Santheson (Hon); 5. Brett Costello (Yam).

250 A: 1. D.J. Lis (Hus); 2. Dennis Decker (KTM); 3. Dave Simcock (Hon); 4. Jeff Staples (Yam); 5. Justin Provencal (Kaw).

OPEN A: 1. Kris Mooney (Yam); 2. D. Byrnes (KTM); 3. P. Byrne (Yam); 4. S. O'Donovan (Kaw); 5. J. Brown (KTM).

VET A: 1. John McMahan (Yam); 2. Mark White (Suz); 3. Jim Simcock (KTM); 4. Martin Mears (Kaw); 5. Harold Bowen (Kaw).

SR A: 1. Jerry Randall (Yam); 2. Robert White (CRE); 3. Norm Herbert (Hon); 4. Steve Formanek (KTM); 5. Ray Malley (KTM).

200 B: 1. Todd Santheson (Hon); 2. Everett Maynard (Kaw); 3. Mike Peristere (Yam); 4. Garson Smith (KTM); 5. Dave Ropielski.

250 B: 1. Dave Clark (Hon); 2. Joe Senical (Yam); 3. Dan White (Hon); 4. A.J. Snoop (Kaw); 5. Josh Beebe (Hon).

OPEN B: 1. B. North (Yam); 2. Casey Griswold (KTM); 3. S. Graver (KTM); 4. D. Hayew (KTM); 5. D. Fox (Hon).

4-STRK B: 1. Austin Jalbert (Hon); 2. Stace Arnes (Hon); 3. John Merds (KTM); 4. Gerald Robery (Hon); 5. Dave Collins (Hon).

VET B: 1. C. Pratt (Suz); 2. M. Grill (Yam); 3. D. Dzenutis (Hon); 4. E. Reinhard (KTM); 5. J. Picard (KTM).

SR B: 1. C. Fahan (Hon); 2. R. Lawson (Hon); 3. R. Pratt (Kaw); 4. S. Zdon (KTM); 5. R. Flagg (Hon).

125 C: 1. Ken Callahan (Hon); 2. Robert Maxon (Hon); 3. Eric Pouliot (Suz); 4. Mark Griffin (Hon); 5. Scott Fetterman (Suz).

200 C: 1. Todd Frias (Kaw); 2. Paul Fischetto (Kaw); 3. Brett Chanail (Kaw); 4. Guy Burlock (Kaw); 5. James Menard (Yam).

250 C: 1. Russell Harper (Hus); 2. Paul Davey (Suz); 3. Rob Allsop (Yam); 4. Keith Bonney (Hon); 5. Kevin Fahey (Kaw).

OPEN C: 1. J. Price (Hon); 2. S. Sherman (Hon); 3. R. Crandall (Hon); 4. J. Sullivan (Hon); 5. J. Grant (Hon).

4-STRK C: 1. J. Simonds (Hon); 2. P. Gigliotti (Kaw); 3. J. Green (Kaw); 4. K. Leeds (Yam); 5. J. Morrison (Hon).

VET C: 1. John Hand (KTM); 2. Joe Johnston (Hon); 3. Rich Hansen (Hon); 4. Steve Dous (Suz); 5. David Heath.

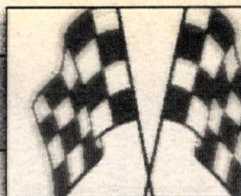
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S/SR: 1. Tom Simeon (Kaw).

JR: 1. Nathan Kanney (Suz); 2. Jess Berthiaume (Yam); 3. R. Dellaghan (Yam); 4. D. Waters (Yam); 5. J. Tucker (Yam).

MINI: 1. Will Rowe (Kaw); 2. Scott DeCosta (Kaw); 3. D. Capote (Kaw); 4. A. Simcock (CRE); 5. T. Swistro (Yam).

WMN: 1. Heidi Landon (Kaw); 2. Diane Comalli (KTM); 3. Dawn Silvia (Kaw); 4. Dawn Shayer (Kaw); 5. J. Krause (Kaw).



Vacation day

By Mark Uth/Trail Rider Magazine

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KTM factory-sponsored Enduro champ Mike Lafferty took a weekend off from his busy national travel schedule, forgoing the GNCC in Clarksburg, Virginia, for a local ECEA Hare Scrambles. In the process, Lafferty again proved he's still king back east, as the fast and open Delaware Enduro Riders (DER) course played right into his hands. Lafferty nearly led the event from start to finish, smoking the competition to earn the overall victory, all while "play riding" on a four-stroke KTM 400E/XC.

A one-kick start on his KTM thumper contributed to a good start and his drive to the front of the pack. From there, it wasn't long into the first lap before he picked off the competition and assumed the lead that he would hold for the remainder of the race. Afterward, Mike said that the revised DER course "was the best ever." Regarding his choice of mounts on the day, Lafferty joked, "I rode the four-stroke to get a better workout," comparing the demanding GNCC three-hour format to the typical two-hour events run in the ECEA Hare Scrambles series.

While Mike Lafferty was steaming along to the checkered flag, no doubt the biggest battle of the day was being waged between reigning ECEA Enduro champ Freddy Hoess and series rival Richard Lafferty. The Bromley Suzuki-mounted Hoess kept his RM250 cranking, holding second place over Rich Lafferty's KTM on laps one through four, building nearly a two-minute lead early on. However, this was diminished to some 30 seconds or less during laps three and four and was to set the stage for a frantic fifth and final lap. Not knowing the size of his lead, nor how many more trips would be required around the 11-mile course, Hoess swung into the pits at the start of the fifth lap. Though he refueled in less than 20 seconds, it wasn't quick enough to prevent Rich Lafferty's KTM from coming through the barrels and assuming the second overall slot. Both riders set off into the woods for the final lap separated by seconds.

During their final trip around the loop, a pitched battle found Richard Lafferty dogged by Hoess. As the riders neared the scoring barrels, Hoess, finally realizing there was to be no sixth lap, made a last-ditch attempt at a pass. However, he was thwarted by the fact that the club had moved the finish line forward from the barrels in order to facilitate the scoring of backed-up riders. Hoess' final thrust proved ill-timed. Although he managed to get around Lafferty's KTM before the barrels, it was ruled that the finish line was already crossed. Richard Lafferty thus held on for the second-place finish. Naturally, a bit of a brouhaha erupted immediately afterward, but the club stuck to its guns, scoring Lafferty second and Hoess third. In Hoess' defense, it's easy to see that the lack of a white flag indicating the last lap contributed to his confusion, as well as the club's unannounced decision for a sliding finish line. However, Richard Lafferty might have had the most poignant perspective when he commented, "Hey, he had 11 miles (the entire final lap) to pass me."

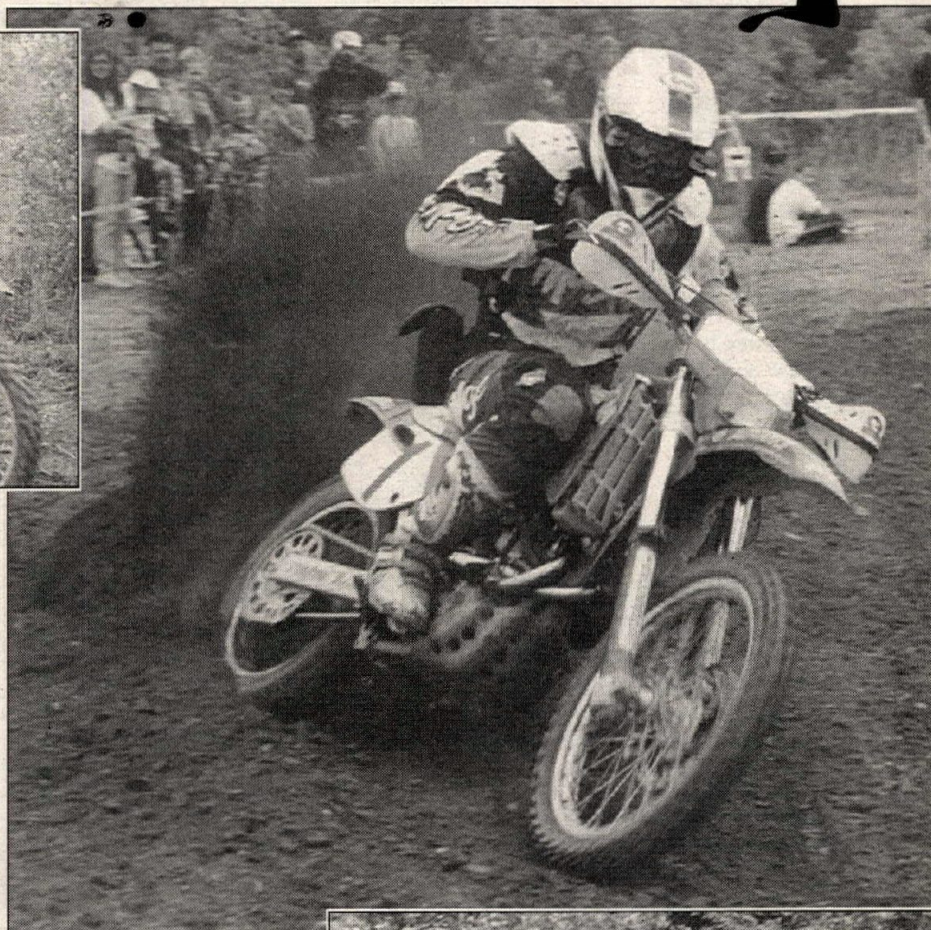
Now, that's racing.



The St. Georges Hare Scrambles was co-sanctioned by the ECEA and District 7 Hare Scrambles Championships. A three-event card was run that included Youth and Pee Wee races in the morning, followed by the main event at noon. Nearly 100 Youth and Pee Wee riders joined well over 200 adult riders entered in the main event. The course was laid out on bluffs overlooking the D&C (Delaware and Chesapeake) Canal. Formed during the original construction and subsequent dredging of the canal, these headlands feature short, steep hills climbing to flat meadows covered with lush second-growth vegetation. Predominant among the foliage is the renowned Delaware phragmites reed forests, which provide one of the most unique riding experiences on the East Coast. As a result of the repeated dredgings, the soil is a rich, loamy, dark earth that can go from dusty to awesome traction to greasy slime over the course of an afternoon ride. Fortunately for this day, course conditions were nearly perfect. Cool morning temperatures combined with a few passing showers managed to water the course just enough to eliminate dust and maximize traction.

In previous years, DER has had trouble controlling course cutting as the winding course and sparse brush did little to discourage this practice. This year's layout was designed to eliminate any benefit of course cutting, and, as a consequence, contained little trickery and few technical challenges. The fast, streamlined course led riders east through the phrag and included an observation at the furthest-possible-removed checkpoint. The return trip was a WFO romp down a rutted and whooped wood road, aptly referred to as the "back straight." This was truly a "twist it and hold on," high-speed sphincter run for those who dared. Pin it and win was the strategy for all. Top main-event riders completed five laps around the 11-mile course in the two-hour span allocated.

Following the podium finishes by Mike Lafferty, Rich Lafferty and Freddy Hoess (1-2-3) was Husaberg-mounted Jack Lafferty Jr., who maintained and finished in the fourth overall position several minutes behind Hoess. District 7 competitor Keith Rodgers finished fifth overall, just seconds ahead of reigning ECEA Hare Scrambles Champion Marc Grossman. Ryan Rodgers claimed the seventh overall slot, followed by a Honda-mounted Stu Crouch (ninth overall) and Greg Pamart, who rounded



(Above) Mike Lafferty used his vacation from the National Enduro and GNCC Series to win the St. Georges Hare Scrambles on a four-stroke KTM 400E/XC. (Above left) Fred Hoess thought he had second overall until the promoting club decided to give second to Richard Lafferty based on the new finish line, which had been moved forward to help with scoring.

(Right) Richard Lafferty finished second overall after a heated battle and controversial finish with Hoess.

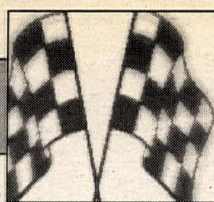


out the top 10 while winning the 200cc A class.

In the Youth race, CR80-mounted Kevin Reed led the pack around the course for a full six laps, followed by Dan Yearwood on his Honda. Yearwood managed to reel in Reed during the fifth and sixth trips around the 3.8-mile course, and was right on Reed's fender as the two departed the barrels for the seventh and final lap. Right after passing through the scoring barrels, a drag race erupted in the wide start straightaway, precipitating a horrific endo by Reed right in front of the crowd of spectators. Yearwood fortunately managed to avoid the cartwheeling Reed and cruised on to the win. Fortunately for Reed, the allotted hour time limit for the race passed minutes after this turn of events. After 15 or 20 minutes of recovery time, a somewhat dazed Reed saddled up his twisted Honda and finished the final lap to claim second-place honors. Winner Yearwood and Reed were the only Youth pilots to complete seven laps in the event.

ECEA St. Georges Hare Scrambles St. Georges, Delaware Results: April 26, 1998 (Round 2)

GRAND CHAMP: Mike Lafferty Jr.
O/A: 1. Mike Lafferty; 2. Rich Lafferty; 3. Fred Hoess; 4. Jack Lafferty Jr.; 5. Keith Rogers; 6. Marc Grossman; 7. Ryan Rodgers; 8. Greg Pamart; 9. Stu Crouch; 10. Steve Larkin.
A 200: 1. Gene Pamart; 2. Craig Shenigo; 3. Andrew Harris; 4. Greg Davies; 5. Brandon Sexton.
A 250: 1. Rich Lafferty; 2. Fred Hoess; 3. Jack Lafferty Jr.; 4. Marc Grossman; 5. Ryan Rodgers.
B 200: 1. Jason Catlett; 2. Bill Hess; 3. Nick Sutiropoulos; 4. George Potts; 5. Lewis Robbins.
B 250: 1. Lance Homson; 2. Bill Gilbert; 3. Phil Kypp; 4. Chad Gill; 5. Randall Scott.
C 200: 1. Dave Glenn; 2. Doug Allen; 3. Tom Seanad; 4. Alan Bopp; 5. Brian Glenn.
4-STRIK: 1. Steve Larkin; 2. Doug Gruff; 3. Charlie Sheldon; 4. Mike Creed; 5. Tom Keegan.
VET: 1. Keith Rogers; 2. Stu Crouch; 3. Byron Culbertson; 4. Ed O'Flynn; 5. Rick Curtis.
SR: 1. Cliff Tenny; 2. Kevin Reed; 3. Mike Murphy; 4. Jeff Fox; 5. Steve Kelly.
S/SR: 1. Jack Lafferty Sr.; 2. Tom Ebersole; 3. Rich Trader; 4. Joe Galle; 5. Don Culbertson.
MINI A: 1. Dan Yearwood; 2. Kevin Reed; 3. Ed Hill; 4. Steve Keeley; 5. Arron Benoit.
MINI B: 1. Ryan McGama; 2. Scott Langhorne; 3. Ryan Pratt; 4. Bryan Martin; 5. Drew Uth.
MINI C: 1. Adam Eckard; 2. Jim Maul; 3. Tyson Stapleford; 4. Spence Jackson; 5. Brandon Hanning.
P/W 1: 1. Ryan Stapleford; 2. Steve Easter; 3. Angelo Manerchia; 4. Eddie Jones; 5. Zach Shepps.
P/W 2: 1. Jim Maul; 2. Mark Garvey; 3. Shawn Ward; 4. Zack Helsel; 5. James Dzierwinski.



Survival time for

By Kenneth King

COCHRAN, GA, APR. 19

For 22 years running, the Cochran Enduro has been called the "Fun Run," mainly because the promoters have always tried to make the course a little on the easier side - a family-type event. There were always trails that could challenge the fast riders, but mostly you just had to watch your clock. Well, this year Mother Nature decided to change the name to the Cochran "Survival Run," because it was absolutely a survival test to make it through the deep mudholes, pouring rain and slick trails just to finish. Out of the 160 riders who started, 83 finished. Some riders dropped 100 or more points, but Franklin Ramey III dazzled everyone by dropping 22 points to claim the overall win. It was his sixth win of the season, and he was simply in a league of his own at this event.

"I had a good ride - not a lot of problems with the mudholes," Ramey said. "I think equipment made a big difference in this sort of run. My KTM never missed a beat in all that water, and my Bridgestone tires worked great in all that mud."

Ramey's win shouldn't overshadow second and third overall, though, as their rides were very impressive. Jeff Harris, on his Husaberg 501, claimed the runner-up spot, as well as the High Point A trophy and first Four-Stroke A honors. Harris, riding on row 18, managed to drop only 33 points. In third overall was Joey Rowland, who won the Open B class by also dropping just 33 points.

"I didn't think I was going to do this good," Rowland said. "I was just trying to win my class. My CR500 did real good in the mud."

The race was promoted by Frank Amos, Bud Hardeman and Charles Smith, aided by the efforts of many SETRA riders. Amos and Hardeman are longtime SETRA riders and Smith is a member of the Bleakley County Jaycees. The Jaycees supplied much of the manpower to run the 10 checks and were the recipients of proceeds from the race. The turnout was approximately 160 riders, which was low considering there were well over 300 riders last year, but all the rain kept all but the die-hard racers at home, and even though the course was tough, most everyone was smiling and had a good story to tell at the end.

The enduro was run on private land and consisted of close to 60 miles of woods. The start was located at the Bleakley County Jaycees building. At 9 a.m., the first riders were off for 6 miles of pavement riding, which led to the first woods section. There had been rainstorms all week, but the rains were holding off - at least for a little while. The first section was close to 10 miles long, with one check located in the middle. The woods were fairly open but quite technical. After the rain started, what would have been a fun, fast section quickly turned into one where just making it through was an accomplishment. Ramey dropped seven points in the first 4.5 miles leading into check two.

"Bikes were stuck everywhere," Ramey explained. "Some were buried, and trying to get around them was as much an obstacle as the mud was."

Ramey



(Top Left) Franklin Ramey III rode his KTM through the mud and rain to card his sixth win of the SETRA Enduro Series at the Cochran Enduro. (Left) Only 80 riders finished out of the 160 who started (turnout was down due to the conditions), but Senior C rider Mel Smith finished even after riding on the last row.



Harris also matched Ramey's score of seven points.

"I think the Husaberg was an advantage for me in all the mud," Harris said. "I just didn't have any trouble."

Rowland went through the section with an eight-point loss.

"I seem to ride good in the mud," Rowland said. "I was able to get around most of the stuck riders. I just got lucky."

After the check, the riders continued on without a reset and the points just kept adding up. The trail seemed to be one long bog, and by this time the rain was really coming down. Ramey dropped 10 points at check three, followed by Harris with an 11 and Rowland with a 12. It was just 15 miles into the race and Ramey was 17 points down, dropping well over a point a mile, so you can imagine how the C riders were doing.

There was a 6-mile reset and then a going-in check at 21 miles. The section

was 5 miles long, with the rain making things all the more difficult. The trail was tight, and it would have been hard to maintain 24 mph even in dry weather. Ramey bumped things up a notch and dropped only two points at check five. The next-best time was turned in by Senior C winner John West, with a 6:16. He was also riding on row one. The 200cc A winner, Lee Stephens, was next with a 7:04; then Harris and Rowland came through with nines. There was a short reset, followed by a few miles of two-track before the gas stop.

Check six, at the 30-mile mark, was put in by trail boss Allen Gravitt to catch those wanting to ride a little hot. It would have worked fine if that would have been possible. As it was, Ramey was the only person to zero it. Harris and Rowland each dropped a point, but most were happy to have made it this far.

The gas stop was at 35 miles and the long reset there was of little use to the

majority of the riders. Most found themselves late at the going-in check at mile 38.8. The trails after the gas were fast, with a lot of two-track trail. Most of it was red Georgia clay, and we all know how slick that can be, so even the faster trails became a challenge. Ramey lost two points in the 6-mile section. Rowland matched Ramey's score, but Harris would drop a three.

There were about 12 miles of trail, two-track and dirt roads, leading to check nine and the final 5.5 miles of woods. The trail was part of an old Hare Scrambles course from several years ago, and it was whooped-out and sandy. Because of the sand, it was the only section of the race that wasn't a mud bog. Ramey lost a point in the trail, as did Rowland, and Harris dropped two.

"I had a blast in that last section," Harris said. "A four-stroke was the way to go today; it just hooked up all day."

Though a four-stroke might have been the hot ticket for most, for Ramey it was his KTM 250. Ramey is the current points leader in the series, battling with teammate Allen Gravitt for the championship.

"I just had a good ride and a great bike today," Ramey confirmed.

After the race, everyone had a story to tell. Clutches were fried, and bikes overheated and seized. The clean-up crew worked hard to try to get all the riders out of the woods. Some riders rode only a few miles before getting stuck, only to watch the rest of the race from a muddy vantage point. Anyone who finished deserved congratulations. There weren't any complaints and a good time was had by most.

Allen Gravitt was missing from the lineup, as he worked this race and shared trail-boss duties with Amos and Hardeman.

"We had a good, fun course laid out, but Mother Nature just didn't give us a break," Amos said. "There isn't much you can do about the weather. I just hope it doesn't rain next year." **CN**

SETRA Cochran Enduro Cochran, Georgia Results: April 19, 1998 (Round 15)

O/A: 1. Franklin Rainey III 22; 2. Jeff Harris 33; 3. Joey Rowland 33; 4. Geoff Poole 36; 5. Mike Martin 36.
AA: 1. Steven Smith 88.
OPEN A: 1. Mike Martin 36; 2. Michael Grizzle 40; 3. Steve Hardeman 74.
250 A: 1. Don Baxley 38; 2. Jeff Colm 39.
200 A: 1. Lee Stephens 54; 2. Scott Miller 119.
4-STRK A: 1. Jeff Harris 33; 2. Martin Pruett 74; 3. Frank Anello 206.
VET A: 1. Johnny McCoy 72.
SR A: 1. Robert Neeley 80; 2. Joe Royal 99; 3. Richard Edmonds 125.
S/SR A: 1. John Kealey 55; 2. Johnny Thomas 205.
MSTR A: 1. John Parker 69; 2. Joe Van Seeter 148; 3. Lloyd Widener (ck 6).
OPEN B: 1. Joey Rowland 33; 2. Charlie Hatler 38; 3. Shawn Hayes 42.
250 B: 1. Tim Weber 44; 2. James Blackman 47; 3. Terrell Holloway 64; 4. Jeff Burchfield 80.
200 B: 1. Mark Thompson 66; 2. Will Harner 90; 3. Cult Cook (ck 6).
4-STRK B: 1. Geoff Poole 36; 2. Clinton Norton 68; 3. Jeffrey Walker (ck5).
VET B: 1. Jack McDonough 44; 2. David Hollbrook 50; 3. Stephen Edwards 95.
SR B: 1. Phil Ellis 70; 2. John Strange 90; 3. Eddie Royals 198.
S/SR B: 1. David Tharp (ck 2).
MSTR B: 1. Fred Veator 254; 2. Wayne Meredith (ck 6); 3. Fred Hammond (ck 4).
OPEN C: 1. Chris Doran 45; 2. Scott Presnell 49; 3. David Harbin 53; 4. Ted Lente 86.
250 C: 1. Wayne Knight 49; 2. Trey Wetherington 56; 3. Donald Johnson 71; 4. Patrick Jones 106.
200 C: 1. George Miller 55; 2. Dane Smith 142; 3. Greg Darnell 327.
125 C: 1. Richard Bead 74; 2. Larry Luepke 301; 3. Elijah Derryberry.
4-STRK C: 1. Nik Johnson 48; 2. Keith Bowman 73; 3. Chris Johnson 151.
VET C: 1. Tim Huskey 54; 2. Tom Farmer 78; 3. Andy Dean 89; 4. Brent English 92.
SR C: 1. John West 42; 2. George Guy 42; 3. Sam Mento 265; 4. Gerald Grisham 327.
S/SR C: 1. Stuart Bradow (ck 2).
MSTR C: 1. Norbert Nall 48; 2. Ed Wiest (ck 4); 3. Paul McDonald (ck4).
GLDN MSTR: 1. Joe Haley 156; 2. Terry Dishroon 263; 3. Ed Knight (ck4).

Lampe and Hofmaster haul

By Larry Witmer

BUCHANAN, MI, APR. 19

Tom Hofmaster took the win in the hotly contested 125cc Expert class when the motocross season kicked off at Red Bud Track and Trail. It didn't come easily for the Banzai Suzuki-mounted speedster, as he fended off runner-up Kevin Lampe. Lampe took the front spot in the 250cc Expert division to find some redemption, with Hofmaster taking third overall behind Over 25 Expert-class winner Jay Wagner.

Gene Ritchie and the crew worked like clockwork on their opening motocross of the year. The 600-plus rider count took its toll on the famous Red Bud circuit, but the crew kept the track in moist, dust-free racing conditions. This opener was very special, as it kicked off Red Bud's 25th year of motocross competition. Gene greeted the hearty bunch at the riders' meeting, talking about 25 years of promoting at Red Bud and how much it meant to him and his family.

The 125cc Expert division saw Lampe rip the holeshot, with Nate Eslinger second, Hofmaster third, Indiana rider Zach McRill fourth and Richard Watson fifth. Lampe made a critical error on the opening circuit and went down in the tight sand switchbacks, giving the lead to Eslinger. Hofmaster was hot on the rear fender of Eslinger. At the completion of the first lap, Hofmaster sneaked past Eslinger, taking the inside line and the lead. The front-running duo of Hofmaster and Eslinger was soon run down by Lampe to make it a three-way battle. The fourth spot now belonged to Watson, who displaced McRill in the valley triple-jump section.

Lampe outjumped Eslinger to take second on the third lap and set sail after Hofmaster. Lampe caught Hofmaster and retook the lead in the left-hand, multi-berm corner going toward the famous "LaRocco Leap" section. Hofmaster kept the pressure on the hard-charging Lampe, and it paid off when Lampe sampled the Red Bud soil again. Lampe remounted his Thompson Motor Sports Yamaha and set out after Hofmaster again. Lampe's charge came up short as Hofmaster took the win, with Lampe hot on his tail. Third went to Eslinger, who was followed by Suzuki-mounted Watson and Jason Vienot.

Hofmaster controlled the second 125cc Expert moto from the drop of the gate to the checkers. Lampe, Vienot, Carey West and Eslinger rounded the second corner in close pursuit. Hofmaster put it to the talented field, opening up a five-second lead over Lampe by the completion of the first lap. Lampe gave it his best effort, but Hofmaster still took the second-moto win with a 10-second margin of victory.

"I felt great out there today," exclaimed the Torque Center/Thor/Smith-backed Hofmaster. "In the first



Kevin Lampe (350) took the holeshot and won the 250cc Expert class over Jay Wagner (580) and Tom Hofmaster (364). Wagner returned to win the Over 25 class, while Hofmaster won the 125cc Expert class.

moto, I knew that I could match Lampe's pace. But after ripping the holeshot in the second moto, I felt sluggish and just told myself to relax and ride in my zone. I started to click and pulled away. The track was great today! The Valley Triples and the Pipe Doubles were some of my favorite sections."

Lampe took runner-up honors for the day, with Eslinger carding a pair of thirds for third overall. Vienot continued to improve his Expert rating with a fourth for the day. Rounding out the top five was Richard Watson on his Suzuki.

The 250cc Expert division saw Derek Gayheart on his new RM250 take the holeshot over Lampe, Nathan Miller and Wagner. Lampe put his Thompson's Kawasaki into the lead on the opening lap by using an outside line after the Pipe Jump entering into the sand switchbacks. Gayheart ran second, with Wagner trying hard to get around him. It was a great opening lap, with the 22-rider field in tight formation.

Lampe had opened up a five-second lead by the second lap, while Wagner took the runner-up slot with a great clicker move while passing Gayheart over the new tabletop jump. Lampe continued to hold the front-running position, with Wagner keeping him honest. The third spot was the battle to watch, as Miller and Hofmaster got by Gayheart in the late stages. Still, it was a great ride for Cycle Barn/Shaw Martin/Weisner Suspension's Gayheart, who was competing on the 250 for the first time.

"This is my first race, so I didn't want to crash out," Gayheart explained. "I need to concentrate on breathing and relaxing out there. I'm still pumped about the holeshot!"

Lampe came home for the win with Wagner glued to his rear fender. Miller was four seconds back in third and Hofmaster finished in fourth. Fifth went to Gayheart and new A rider Matt Myers took sixth.

Lampe had the quickest throttle at the start of the second moto, with Eslinger second, and Wagner was forced wide after being pushed out. Hofmaster had a much better start in third, and Jeff Moore ran fourth. Lampe wasted little time this moto and opened up a five-

second lead by the first lap. Wagner was the rider on the move as he went from sixth to third on the opening circuit.

The second lap saw Lampe pull away by attacking the track. Wagner made his bid for the front position by getting by Eslinger in the Apple Orchard with a tighter inside line. By the halfway point, Lampe had a 10-second cushion over Wagner, and Eslinger was now under fire from Hofmaster, Gayheart and Baker. At the finish, it was all Lampe, with Wagner taking second and second overall. Hofmaster got by Eslinger for the third spot late in the race and rewarded himself with a third-overall performance.

"In the first moto I had a great start, kept my head on straight and focused to win," Lampe said. "The second-moto win was great. I took the holeshot and just rode my own race. The track was excellent, shaping up with great lines, and the corner berms - wow! When I come to Red Bud, it's always worth the drive. I've got to give it to Gene and his crew for the excellent job they do." **CN**

Red Bud Track and Trail Buchanan, Michigan Results: April 19, 1998

AUTO (4-6): 1. Scot Troyer (Act); 2. Jacob McCraner (Cob); 3. Cody Krause (KTM); 4. Brian Derby (KTM); 5. Blake Derby.

AUTO (7-8): 1. Brett Wagner (Cob); 2. Cody Davis (Cob); 3. Ivan Hays (Cob); 4. Brandon Rose (Act); 5. Danny Caudill (Act).

AUTO (SS): 1. Jared Hays (Yam); 2. Zachary Hays (Yam); 3. Steve Laughlin (Yam); 4. Matt Fozo (Yam); 5. Jacob McCraner.

60: 1. Matt Walsworth (Kaw); 2. Brandon Ross (Kaw); 3. Shane Sewell (Kaw); 4. Brandon Goodman (Kaw); 5. Ron Mitchell (Kaw).

80 (7-11): 1. Fred Karrle (Yam); 2. Kody Molitor (Yam); 3. Mike Mitchell (Yam); 4. Chris Scott (Yam); 5. Tony Kutzler (Suz).

80 (12-15): 1. Danny Beckett (Hon); 2. Kory Warstler (Kaw); 3. Geddy Karrle (Yam); 4. Jerod Whipple (Hon); 5. Ryan Kessinger (Yam).

80 C: 1. Mitch Sluder (Suz); 2. Kevin King (Hon); 3. Brandon Handley (Suz); 4. Steve Valutis (Hon); 5. Jeremy Bounds (Yam).

80 OPEN: 1. Jon Logan (Yam); 2. Jerod Whipple (Hon); 3. Geddy Karrle (Yam); 4. Roy Horton (Suz); 5. Blakley Jones (Kaw).

125 JR (12-15): 1. Greg Hochmuth (Suz); 2. John Penrod (Yam); 3. Corey Paulsell (Yam); 4. Anthony Milks (Hon); 5. Danny Beckett (Hon).

125 A: 1. Tom Hofmaster (Suz); 2. Kevin Lampe (Yam); 3. Nate Eslinger (Kaw); 4. Jason Vienot (Yam); 5. Richard Watson (Suz).

125 B: 1. Jamie Beckett (Suz); 2. Kyle McLeod (Hon); 3. Greg Hochmuth (Suz); 4. Darby Fowler (Suz); 5. Keith Seeger (Hon).

125 C: 1. Chuck Gelke (Suz); 2. Kevin Karasevic (Suz); 3. Cameron Colby (Yam); 5. Eric Saldana (Suz).

250 A: 1. Kevin Lampe (Kaw); 2. Jay Wagner (Yam); 3. Tom Hofmaster (Suz); 4. Nathan Miller (Yam); 5. Derek Gayheart (Suz).

250 B: 1. Jamie Beckett (Suz); 2. Greg Foster (Kaw); 3. Kyle McLeod (Hon); 4. Jon Kensington (Suz); 5. Russ Dombrowski (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Paul Campen (Yam); 2. Mike Geer (Hon); 3. Rick Mezo (Hon); 4. John Smith (Suz); 5. Noah Cole (Kaw).

16-24: 1. Nathan Miller (Yam); 2. Greg Foster (Kaw); 3. Richard Lowe (Hon); 4. Barry Anglemeyer (Kaw); 5. Jon Vail (Hon).

25+: 1. Jay Wagner (Yam); 2. John Baker (Hon); 3. Darren Borcharding (Yam); 4. John Sier (Kaw); 5. Roy Nafzger (Kaw).

30+: 1. John Sier (Kaw); 2. Larry Witmer (Suz); 3. Todd Flickenger (Kaw); 4. Darren Borcharding (Yam); 5. Roy Nafzger (Kaw).

35+: 1. Bob Wagner; 2. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 3. Rick Walsworth (Hus); 4. Steve Holland (Suz); 5. David Johnson (Hon).

40+: 1. Larry Witmer (Suz); 2. Jeff Heaston (Kaw); 3. Mike Horne (Kaw); 4. Michael Beckwith (Kaw); 5. Larry Gibson (KTM).

50+: 1. Tim Graves (Yam); 2. Roy Maley (Hon); 3. George Wilenski (Hon); 4. Tom Hubbard (ATK); 5. Roger Reiger (Suz).

NON-CUR: 1. Michael Decker (Hon); 2. Russel Johnson (Suz); 3. Paul Ransler (Hon).

BMBR: 1. Brad Goins (Hon).

WMN: 1. Darla Hinkle (Hon); 2. Casey Rinker (Suz); 3. Jessica Snyder (Kaw); 4. Cara Chada (Kaw); 5. Heather Zlystra (Hon).

U.S. Mega Series MX, Round 5

Neese doubles up

By Sam Gammon

WYTHEVILLE, VA, APR. 26

Perfect weather in southwestern Virginia brought out nearly 400 riders and several hundred spectators for round five of the Serious Racewear United States Mega Series, held at Pro Sport MX. Jim Neese had the fences lined as he leaped over the back hill on his way to the overall wins in both the 125 and 250cc Pro classes on his Kingsport KTM-Husaberg/Litz Racing/Winters Marketing-backed machines.

KTM-mounted Robbie Horton took the holeshot in the first 250cc Pro moto over Jim Chester on a Suzuki, and Husaberg four-stroke pilot Neese. Horton was absolutely on and the moto win belonged to him. Chester lost an engine on lap two, giving Neese second. Jim Povolny was charging and worked his way past Neese, but just past the halfway mark he decided that, being

from Minnesota, he should check out the Virginia soil - so down he went. Povolny recovered in time to finish just behind Neese in third place.

In the second 250cc Pro moto, it was a Neese-Horton dogfight from the start. For the first three laps, Moto Planet/Fox/Pro Action's Horton cleaned off Neese's side panels with his front wheel as the spectators fought for position on the fence. On the third lap, Horton slipped in a turn, giving Neese about three seconds to spare. Extreme/Smith/Alpinestars' Povolny was charging hard and closing until his silencer broke, which slowed him slightly. Up front, Neese was putting on a show with every leap over the small mountain as he took the victory and the overall on the four-stroke 'Berg.

The 125cc Pro class was almost all Neese. He led the first moto from start to finish. He took the holeshot in the second moto and led it until he fell on the last lap, allowing Povolny to move by for the win. Neese's 1-2 score gave him the overall win over Povolny's 4-1.

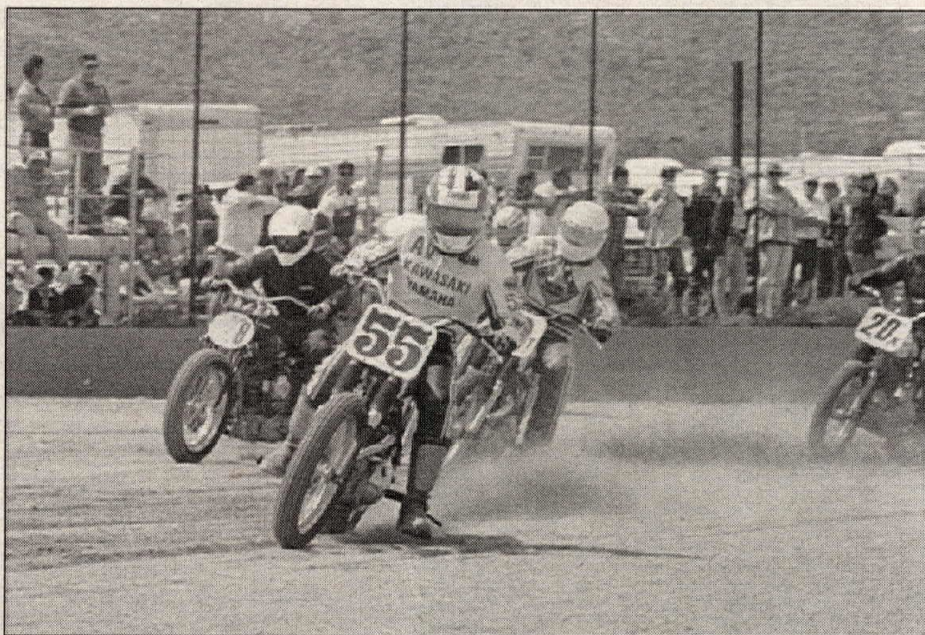
The 50cc 4- to 6-year-old class featured a heated battle that came down to the last lap in the final moto. The Cobra-mounted trio of Madison Hambright, Colton Bailey and McKinnon Welborn finished the first moto 1-2-3. In the second moto, it was Welborn with the holeshot, followed by Hambright and Bailey. Hambright fell on the first lap, allowing Bailey to move into second. On the third lap, Welborn fell and it was Bailey into the lead. Bailey was the only one doubling the whoops and he held on to the lead, but when the white flag came out, he was so excited that he let up and started to exit the track. Hambright seized the opportunity and zipped on by, leaving Bailey to recover and finish second.

The 125cc B class was as competitive as ever, and Suzuki-mounted Brad Edwards emerged as the champion for the day. Edwards used 1-2 scores to claim the win, but he got a lesson in passing in the second moto by YZ rider Jered Black. Black got a very bad start in the first moto, yet charged his way to third by the finish. In the second moto, he got off the gate with Edwards and the race of the day was on. Black pushed, dived inside and pulled alongside, but on the last lap he held the gas on and jumped over Edwards' head as they attacked the back hill. Black was one of the very few riders to jump a 125 all the way up onto the top of the small mountain, and his 1-3 scores netted him second overall for the day - and a lot of respect.

"I can't believe he jumped over my head," a startled Edwards said after the race. "I should have jumped it."

The Over 25 B class was just as competitive, with three different capable riders leading at different times. In the first moto, it was Albert "Holeshot" McCoy with the lead, followed by Larry Sparks on his new Suzuki and Kevin Blalock. McCoy stalled his Suzuki on the second lap and Sparks and Blalock shot by. Sparks held on for the win.

The second moto saw Sparks, McCoy, Shane Jenkins and Blalock jump out front. On lap three, McCoy fell coming out of a slick turn and then Jenkins crashed, giving Blalock an easy ride into second place. Blalock saw only one rider between himself and victory, so he put the pressure on Sparks. On the last lap, with just two turns and a long set of uphill whoops to go, Blalock seized the



Tom Horton (55) leads Kenny Remo (8) and Gary Davis (partially hidden) in the Dinosaur main event during the ARHMA/Classic Bike Magazine National Dirt Track at Willow Springs International Raceway. Horton took the win, with Davis finishing second.

opportunity by blazing through the whoops to take the moto and overall win (2-1).

Pro Sport MX Wytheville, Virginia Results: April 26, 1998

125 PRO: 1. Jim Neese (KTM); 2. Jim Povolny (KTM); 3. Robert Horton (KTM); 4. Jim Chester (Suz); 5. Richard Prether (KTM).

250 D: 1. Richard Dickson (Kaw); 2. Howard Biggers (Hon); 3. John Vought (Hon); 4. Jason Brown (Suz); 5. Brent Surface (Suz).

SCHBY: 1. Casey Barnes (Suz); 2. Doug Earl (Suz); 3. Shane Hager (Kaw); 4. Jason Shook (Suz); 5. B.J. Huntsinger (Suz).

JR MINI: 1. Josh Davis (Kaw); 2. Chase Whitten (Kaw); 3. Chase Beck (Suz); 4. Chris Osborne (Suz); 5. Timothy Horne (Kaw).

40+: 1. Roger Arnold (Suz); 2. Gary Baisden (Suz); 3. Cliff Dockery (Yam); 4. Mike Robinson (Kaw); 5. Johnny Gibson (Suz).

30+ C: 1. Mark Whitley (Yam); 2. Keith Garland (Suz); 3. Darron Lawson (Yam); 4. Johnny Gibson (Suz); 5. Cletis Greene (Hon).

250 PRO: 1. Jim Neese (Hbg); 2. Robbie Horton (KTM); 3. Jim Povolny (KTM); 4. Gaylon Dickson (Kaw); 5. Chad Newton (Suz).

25+ C: 1. Jason Surface (Hon); 2. Gregory Pittman (Suz); 3. Mark Muncy (Suz); 4. Allen Brown (Suz); 5. Larry Mitchell (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Evan Owenby (Yam); 2. Chad Yates (Yam); 3. Noel Han (Kaw); 4. Michael Franklin (Kaw); 5. David Bridges (Suz).

250 B: 1. Wesley Moy (Suz); 2. Joshua Capps (Kaw); 3. Kevin Blalock (Suz); 4. Joseph Prether (Kaw); 5. Brad Edwards (Suz).

35+: 1. Joel Baker (Suz); 2. Roger Arnold (Suz); 3. Harvey Hokoimbe (Kaw); 4. John Jeune (Suz); 5. David Tucker (Suz).

60 (7-9): 1. Chase Beck (KTM); 2. Davin Price (Kaw); 3. Zach Osborne (Kaw); 4. Logan Bell (Kaw); 5. Steven Houser (Kaw).

60 (10-11): 1. Chris Osborne (Kaw); 2. Philip Ivers (Kaw); 3. Taylor Reilly (Kaw); 4. Jerry Mashburn (Kaw).

85 (14-15): 1. Adam Overcash (Suz); 2. Michael McGourty (Yam); 3. Nicholas Vargo (Suz); 4. Bradley Robertson (Yam); 5. Joshua Wyatt (Hon).

85 (12-13): 1. Donald McGourty (Suz); 2. Brian Pace (Yam); 3. Chase Roberts (Kaw); 4. Matt Miller (Suz); 5. Jason Tucker (Kaw).

U/L C-D: 1. Michael Franklin (Kaw); 2. Noel Hall (Kaw); 3. Chad Yates (Yam); 4. Gary Salyer (Kaw); 5. Joe Guinn (Kaw).

U/L AM: 1. Wesley Moy (Suz); 2. Thomas Epps (Suz); 3. Brandon Bekher (Suz); 4. Freddie Lawson (Suz); 5. Greg Price (Yam).

50 (4-6): 1. Madison Hambright (Cob); 2. Colton Bailey (Cob); 3. McKinnon Welborn (Cob); 4. Tyler Glance (Cob); 5. Preston Thomas (KTM).

50 SHAFT: 1. Adam Ivers (Yam); 2. Tyler Matusevich (Yam); 3. Damon Hambright (Yam); 4. Mark Allen (Yam).

50 (78): 1. Austin Stroupe (Cob); 2. Davin Price (Lem); 3. Zach Osborne (Cob); 4. Les Smith (Cob); 5. D.J. Ellis.

125 C: 1. Evan Owenby (Suz); 2. B.J. Huntsinger (Suz); 3. Siler Chapman (Suz); 4. David Owens (Suz); 5. Tim Gunter (Kaw).

25+ B: 1. Kevin Blalock (Suz); 2. Larry Sparks (Suz); 3. Albert Moy (Suz); 4. Walter Mahoney (Suz); 5. Shane Jenkins (Suz).

125 B: 1. Brad Edwards (Suz); 2. Jered Black (Yam); 3. Joseph Prether (Kaw); 4. Casey Barnes (Suz); 5. Joshua Capps (Kaw).

80 D: 1. Jeremy Dingess (Suz); 2. Casey Rice (Yam); 3. Scott Hagans (Yam); 4. Chris Ball (Kaw); 5. Zach Johnson (Suz).

25+ A: 1. Richard Prether (Kaw); 2. Jim Chester (Suz); 3. Gaylon Dickson (Kaw); 4. Leslie Bekher (Suz); 5. Joel Baker (Suz).

S/MINI: 1. Donald McGourty (Suz); 2. Michael McGourty (Yam); 3. Adam Overcash (Suz); 4. Brian Pace (Yam); 5. Joshua Davis (Kaw).

125 D: 1. Jerry Presley (Suz); 2. Evan Repass (Suz); 3. Nathaniel Comer (Kaw); 4. Aaron Bond (Suz); 5. Jason Dingess (Suz).

30+ A: 1. Gaylon Dickson (Kaw); 2. James Hayes (Hon); 3. Joel Baker (Suz); 4. Leslie Bekher (Suz); 5. Donnie Foster (Suz).

30+ B: 1. Albert Moy (Suz); 2. Larry Sparks (Suz); 3. Steve Mason (Suz); 4. David Tucker (Suz); 5. Jimmy Pickett (Suz).

48+: 1. Gary Baisden (Suz); 2. Terrell Welborn (Suz); 3. Bryon Hager (Hon); 4. Ted Shortridge (Suz); 5. Rock Fields (KTM).

ARHMA/Classic Bike Magazine Dirt Track Series

Dirty old men

By Fred Windum

ROSAMOND, CA, MAY 2

Willow Springs Raceway's half mile oval played host to Eddie Mulder's National vintage motorcycle races, supplying a vintage-style deep-cushioned race track and showing riders and fans what racing was like at the fairgrounds and horse tracks of the past.

Eddie and Jodi Mulder put on a great show, featuring classic racing motorcycles from the glory days of dirt track, as well as current singles. Soft, sandy corners eliminated any chance of a single groove and quickly developed into berms and whoops, as the track could not be groomed due to a broken Willow Springs grader.

Considering that the track had not been run in almost two years, and despite the lack of promised heavy equipment, many riders felt that the track was prepped very well and was a welcome change from the blue-grooved adobe usually associated with California tracks. Racers still had a large choice of lines, and aggressive riding rewarded them with fast lap times.

Tom Booth jumped out ahead of the Seniors on a fast 350cc Honda to lead the first main of the day, only to be stopped as two riders tangled and went down at the exit of turn two. Both riders walked or limped away from the crash.

Booth again took the lead on the restart, running ahead of Sam Gray on a Champion-framed Honda as well as Triumph riders John Kent, Herb Wolff and Mickey Alzola.

Alzola headed for the hay-baled high line to roost his way into second place, gaining on Booth. As the pair came around Willow's infamous turn two, Booth got a bit wide, running in the weeds outside the marked back straight and pulling back onto the track in second. Kent held on to third, Jim Chisum and his BSA were fourth, and Marshal Jennings on a Shell Yamaha was fifth.

Dinosaur fans were treated to another episode of the Tom & Gary show (Horton & Davis) as their on-track rivalry carried the two '51 Triumph riders into turn one side by side, ahead of '48 Harley-mounted Ron Brown and the '40 Indian of Dave Duvarney. Davis came out ahead on the first go-around, but Horton took a low line inside Davis to block-pass onto the front straight. Davis and Horton swapped the lead until Horton found a fast, smooth line around the deep sand in the corners. Davis tried high and low to get around Horton, gaining in turns one and two, but Horton had better speed down the back chute, hanging on to beat Davis. Ron Brown followed in third, while Kenny Remo slid his '40 Indian in ahead of Duvarney.

Spanish bikes dominated the first laps of the brakeless pre-'67 Classic 250cc race as Jeff Apple's Bultaco locked bars with Ossa-mounted Rich Trait, while Maurice Ortega, on another Bultaco, was close behind them. Ortega put a move on Trait and closed on leader Apple as Harley Sprint rider Jim McMurren made a pass for the third spot. While Ortega worked on Apple, Tom Horton and his Sonicweld Suzuki charged from the back of the pack to put Trait back one more spot and take over fourth. Ortega found the fast line around on the final lap and managed to drive past Apple for the win. They were followed by McMurren, Horton and Trait.

Rialto's Jeff Johnson had the rough and rutty track dialed as he led the Modern 750cc race into the first turn on a stock-framed Triumph, ahead of Gary Davis' Trackmaster Triumph and Yamaha riders Tom Horton and Art Fredenburgh. Triumph riders Jeff Johnson of Pinon Hills and Chris Campos were also in the fray. Campos soon dropped out with a broken bike, and Davis seemed to be the only one able to run with the leader, even pulling alongside in his attempt to take over the race as he tried the high and low lines to pass Johnson. The two were running neck and neck when Davis' bike started smoking, finally leaving him to push it back to the pits. Johnson of Rialto went on to win with a straightaway lead over Horton, while Fredenburgh passed the other Johnson for third and John Lundgren put another Triumph in the fifth spot.

Rob Nolin took top honors in the 500cc Support class, followed by fellow Yamaha rider Paul Herman, while John Dupree put his fast 350cc Honda into the third spot. Former National racer Ronnie Brown put Rod Lake's strangely suspended Wood-Rotax machine on top of the 600cc Support race, as 750cc winner Jeff Johnson, now aboard a Rotax,

took second, with Dana Perri's near-vintage Wood-Rotax in third.

Race winners were awarded special clocks to commemorate the event, with medals rather than the usual plastic trophies going to the second- and third-place riders. Contingency prizes were supplied by A&A Racing, and the B mains came courtesy of Rod Lake Racing. **CN**

Willow Springs International Raceway Rosamond, California Results, May 2, 1998

SR: 1. Mickey Alzola (Tri); 2. Tom Booth (Hon); 3. John Kent (Tri); 4. Jim Chisum (BSA); 5. Marshall Jennings (Yam).

DINO: 1. Tom Horton (Tri); 2. Gary Davis (Tri); 3. Ronnie Brown (H D); 4. Kenny Remo (Ind); 5. Tom Hensley (Ind).

CLSSC 250: 1. Maurice Ortega (Bul); 2. Jeff Apple (Bul); 3. Jim McMurren (H-D); 4. Tom Horton (Suz); 5. Rich Trait (Oss).

CLSSC 500: 1. Gary Davis (BSA); 2. Herb Wolff (AJS); 3. Tony Herrera (Tri); 4. John Kent (BSA); 5. Bill Kiriakidis (Tri).

ARROW 250: 1. Mike O'Neil (Ind); 2. Chris Wakula (Ind); 3. Ron Gould (Ind); 4. Dave Duvarney (Ind); 5. Gary Stark (Ind).

MDRN VINT 250 A: 1. Don Frauenberger (Yam); 2. Brad Holt (Bul); 3. Jim Estes (Yam); 4. John Lundgren (Bul); 5. Manny Crummet (Bul).

MDRN VINT 250 B: 1. Bruce Reynolds (Bul); 2. Marc Lyon (Yam); 3. Scott Shoup (Hon).

MDRN VINT 600: 1. Sal Peluso (Hus); 2. Maurice Ortega (Bul); 3. Gary Davis (Hon); 4. Brad Holt (Bul); 5. Tom Horton (Hon).

MDRN VINT 750: 1. Jeff Johnson (Tri); 2. Tom Horton (Yam); 3. Art Fredenburgh (Yam); 4. Jeff Johnson (Tri); 5. John Lundgren (Tri).

SUP 500: 1. Rob Nolin (Yam); 2. Paul Herman (Yam); 3. John Dupree (Hon); 4. James Rust (Yam); 5. Jeff Johnson (Yam).

SUP 600 A: 1. Ron Brown (W-R); 2. Jeff Johnson (Rtx); 3. Dana Perri (W-R); 4. Danny Ritchie (Yam); 5. Dante D'Ambruoso (W-R).

SUP 600 B: 1. Brent Volbrecht (W-R); 2. Eric Wood (Rtx); 3. Akira Kazuoka (W-R); 4. James Steet (Yam); 5. John Dupree (Hon).

AHRMA/Speed & Sport Vintage Trials Series, Round 4

Butterfield best at Sears Point

By Matt Hilgenberg
Photo by Buddy Norris

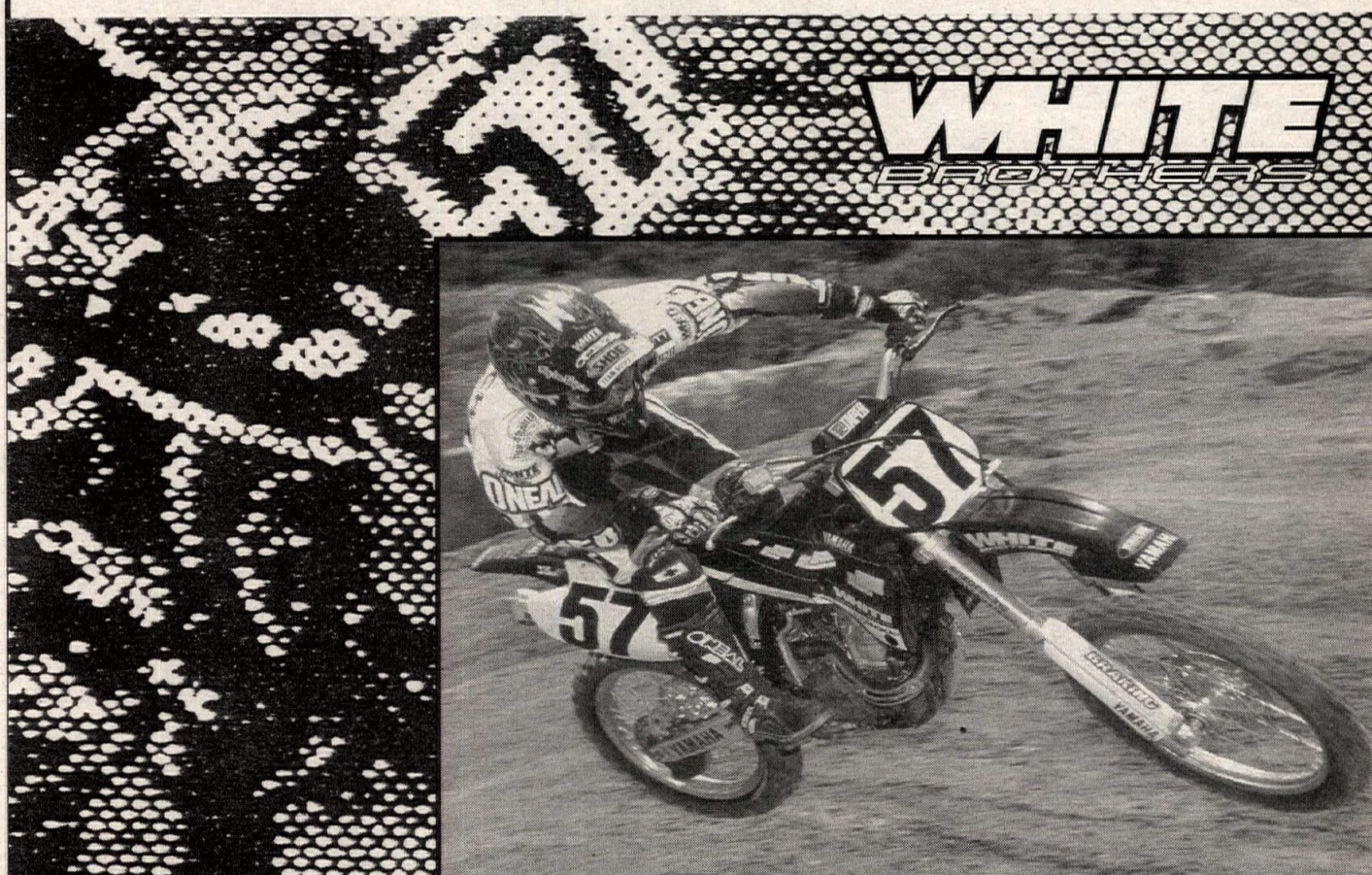
SONOMA, CA, APR. 25

Eighty riders turned out for round four of the American Historic Racing Motorcycle Association Speed & Sport National Trials Series held at Sears Point Raceway. The trial was part of the extravaganza known as the AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days West. Laid out in the grassy hillsides around the road race circuit, riders had a good-sized loop linking nine sections.

Derek Belvoir and Mike Fenner served as trial masters and gave the competitors a good mix of terrain, from steep off-cambers to a bit of mud to broken chunks of concrete and even a trip through a horse corral.

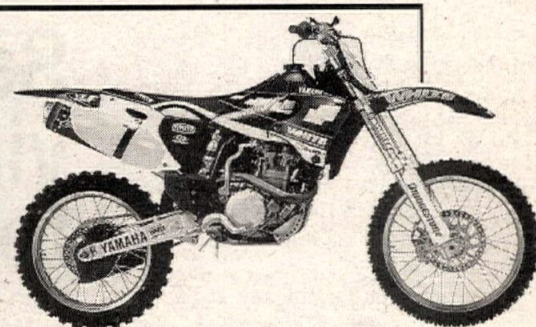
Riding in his first-ever trial, Albert Butterfield topped the Modern Classic C class, dropping just five points along the way. Butterfield is a car-racing instructor at Sears Point, and he thought he'd take a shot at riding trials. After taking some impromptu instructions from Modern Classic B winner David Boydston, Butterfield was up to speed, and nipped out the win over Gary Cochell (who had six points), the seven-point ride of Rich Dominguez and a tie for fourth between Jerry Stoodley and Dar-

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(JPG) Dennis Spence (15U) won the 40+ Expert class at the AHRMA Vintage MX at Sears Point Raceway in Sonoma, California.

ryl Alcorn. Stoodley got the nod with his 25 cleans, to Alcorn's 23.

The best ride of day in the number-two line came from Premier Lightweight A rider Ken Burningham, aboard a Cotton. His two points put him ahead of Triumph Cub rider David Olliges and Ken Dodge, who was debuting his beautiful Greeves Anglian.

In Premier Heavyweight B, Ernie Stair guided his AJS to a 19-point day, besting Dick Mann's 23 markers aboard a Triumph twin.

Robert Borg had a full day at Sears, riding his CZ road racer early in the morning, then making it up the hill in time to compete in the trial. His efforts were rewarded with a win in Classic Intermediate aboard a Saracen.

Two Yamaha riders battled for top honors in Junior Beginner, with Andrew Cerini coming out on top over Max Naff.

Results

RIGID B: 1. Jamie Jenny (BSA) 39 points.
PREM H/W A: 1. Derek Belvoir (Vel) 5; 2. Matt Hilgenberg (Ari) 7; 3. Paul Olliges (AJS) 10; 4. Mike Atkins (Nor) 13.
PREM H/W B: 1. Ernie Stair (AJS) 19; 2. Dick Mann (Tri) 23.
PREM H/W C: 1. Steve Martin (Mat) 29.
PREM L/W A: 1. Ken Burningham (Cot) 2; 2. David Olliges (Tri) 4; 3. Ken Dodge (Gre) 6; 4. Brid Caveney (Tri) 24.
PREM L/W B: 1. Wayne Sumner (BSA) 40; 2. Wayne Mooneyham (Tri) 42; 3. Harold Heitmiller (BSA) 43.
PREM L/W C: 1. Rick Yamane (M-G) 19; 2. Ed Meagor (Gre) 21; 3. Don Kelley (BSA) 24; 4. Roger Finke (Gre) 25; 5. Jim Cameron (BSA) 31.
CLSC B: 1. Robert Borg (Sar) 23; 2. Wendell Clark (Bul) 52.
CLSC C: 1. Bill Conner (Suz) 12; 3. Steven Levin, 65.
MDRN CLSC A: 1. John Moore (Yam) 8; 2. Matt Parsons (Bul) 12; 3. Jeff Naff (Mon) 20; 4. Bill Scarlett (Bul) 34.
MDRN CLSC B: 1. David Boydston (Yam) 4; 2. Bucky Martin (Yam) 9; 3. Tom Rawson (Bul) 22/20 cleans; 4. Clark Sumner (Yam) 22/14; 5. Mike Van Lienden (Bul) 24/17.
MDRN CLSC C: 1. Albert Butterfield, 5; 2. Gary Cochell (Bul) 6; 3. Rich Dominguez (Yam) 7; 4. Jerry Stoodley, 8/25; 5. Darryl Alcorn, 8/23.
BEG: 1. Stephen Roos, 8; 2. Jeffrey O'Neal, 33.
JR BEG: 1. Andrew Cerini (Yam) 14; 2. Max Naff (Yam) 70.
TW-SHK A: 1. Gary Nordstrom (Hon) 17.
SNG-L-SHK A: 1. Chris Napolitano (Mon) 22; 2. Monte Benedick (G-G) 28; 3. Sherwood Gibson (Apr) 38.
SNG-L-SHK B: 1. Marvin Benedick (Fan) 68.

AHRMA/Speed & Sport Vintage Motocross Series, Round 4

Sears Point vintage MX to Jenny

By Matt Hilgenberg
 Photo by Buddy Norris

SONOMA, CA, APR. 26

Colorado's Jamie Jenny dominated the Premier 500cc Intermediate class at round four of the American Historic Racing Motorcycle Association Speed & Sport National Motocross Series, held at Sears Point Raceway during AMA's Vintage Motorcycle Days West.

The Dick Mann-designed natural-terrain grass track was a real challenge, being fast and somewhat bumpy on mostly off-camber real estate. A technical rider's dream, the surface was extremely slippery during practice but wore in nicely as the day progressed.

Nearly 350 riders participated in the festivities. All three Premier 500cc rider-ability classes combined to put 18 thundering pre-unit four-strokes on the track in one race. The variety of machines was captivating - the list included BSA Gold Star, Cheney Ariel, Cheney Matchless, Rickman Husqvarna, Rickman Matchless, Rickman Triumph, and BSA-framed specials powered by Matchless, OHC Norton, Triumph and Velocette engines.

Jenny put together a pair of moto victories to top the 10-rider Premier 500cc Intermediates, with John Ford's Velo coming home second and Dave Janiec (on a Rickman AJS) third each time out.

Dennis Spence, aboard a big-bore Honda XL350, put in a pair of excellent rides to snag the victory on the last lap in each moto of the Over 40 Expert race.

Rick Doughty, who led most of the way, took his Maico to second overall in the 18-rider field, ahead of David Dotson.

A first-time overall victor on the weekend was Arizona's Marc Pape in Sportsman 125cc Novice. Pape's 3-1 finishes gave him the tie-breaking edge over former mountain-bike racer Gavin Housh, who rode a Penton to a 1-3 score in only his third-ever motorcycle race.

Lancaster, California's Ike Winchell (on a Montesa Cappa) put in steady 2-2 finishes to claim the top spot in Classic 500cc Novice, edging the 1-3 day of AJS Stormer rider Eugene Crawford. "Old" Ed Meagor, aboard a Rickman BSA B44, was third.

Results

PREM L/W EX: 1. Gary Davis (Hon); 2. Michael Green (BSA).
PREM L/W INT: 1. Randy Hiatt (BSA); 2. Dave Janiec (BSA).
PREM L/W NOV: 1. Dennis Rose (Gre).
PREM 500 EX: 1. Matt Hilgenberg (Ric); 2. Dennis Hansen (BSA); 3. Mike Atkins (Mat-BSA); 4. Terry Hyde (Ric); 5. Robert Poole (BSA).
PREM 500 INT: 1. Jamie Jenny (BSA); 2. John Ford (Vel); 3. Dave Janiec (Ric-AJS); 4. Ken Burningham (BSA); 5. Terry Pratt (BSA).
PREM 500 NOV: 1. Hank Wenzel (Nor).
PREM OPEN TW EX: 1. Gary Davis (Tri); 2. Wayne Sumner (Tri); 3. Danny Davies (Tri).
PREM OPEN TW INT: 1. Stephen Heaney (BSA); 2. Norm Shields (Tri).
CLSC 125 EX: 1. Ken Gerard (Hon); 2. Robert Borg (CZ); 3. Harry Bellicitti (Hus); 4. Doyle Cook (Ric).
CLSC 125 INT: 1. John Sherry (Hus); 2. Russell Held (Pen); 3. Gerald Mauricio (DKW).
CLSC 125 NOV: 1. Gavin Housh (Pen); 2. Richard Yamane (KTM); 3. Ray Weber (Ric); 4. Wayne Rantz (Hon); 5. Stephen Roos (Hon).
CLSC 250 EX: 1. Michael Owens (Hus); 2. Robert Poole (BSA); 3. Dirk Murphy (Oss); 4. Robert Borg (CZ); 5. Joe McCoy (Che).
CLSC 250 INT: 1. Jerry Brown (AJS); 2. Gary Cochell (AJS); 3. Lanny Hyde (BSA).
CLSC 250 NOV: 1. Bryan Wenzel (Gre); 2. Ron Breashears (Gre); 3. Eugene Crawford (AJS); 4. Gil Driscoll (A-E); 5. John Gulliford (Oss).
CLSC 500 EX: 1. Ron Melton (Bul); 2. David Boydston (Hus); 3. Kelly Shane (Che).
CLSC 500 INT: 1. Matt Parsons (Ric); 2. Jerry Brown (AJS); 3. Ken Burningham (BSA); 4. Gary Cochell (AJS); 5. Frank Rodgers (BSA).
CLSC 500 NOV: 1. Ike Winchell (Mon); 2. Eugene Crawford (AJS); 3. Ed Meagor (Ric); 4. Kay Mann (BSA); 5. John Koch (AJS).
125 EX: 1. Howard Rantz (Hon); 2. Steve Parker.
125 INT: 1. Greg Gilmore (Hon); 2. Mark Lacurelle (Hon); 3. Dave Keil (Hon); 4. John Sherry (Hus); 5. Zach Blazek (Yam).
125 NOV: 1. Marc Pape (Hon); 2. Gavin Housh (Pen); 3. Stephen Roos (Hod); 4. Jeff Anderson (C-A); 5. Chris Frei (Yam).
250 EX: 1. Randy Lewis (Oss); 2. Don Adams (Hon); 3. Ron Knarr; 4. Manuel Datan (Yam); 5. Rod Dunivent (Hon).
250 INT: 1. Travis Smith (Hus); 2. Scott Silvia (Kaw); 3. David Helwig (Yam); 4. Jeff Mitchell (Hon); 5. Mark Lacurelle (Hon).
250 NOV: 1. Mike Castagnola (Bul); 2. Carlos Romero (Yam); 3. Sean Dotson (Kaw); 4. Todd Badham (Hon); 5. Grant Gould (Pen).
500 EX: 1. Rick Doughty (Mai); 2. Ron Fish (Yam); 3. David Dotson (KTM); 4. Ed Flanigen Jr. (CZ); 5. Donn Anderson (Hus).
500 INT: 1. Casey Farrell; 2. Marc Audifred (Mai); 3. Jerry Winkelbauer (Hon); 4. Leonard Sullivan (Mai); 5. Christian Otero (Suz).
500 NOV: 1. David Starr (Yam); 2. Lynn Shoup (CZ); 3. Chris Wilkes (Hon); 4. Brian Grade (Hus); 5. Paul Griffin (Mai).
OPEN TW EX: 1. Matt Rohr (Che); 2. Manuel Datan (Tri); 3. Terry Hyde (Ric).
OPEN TW INT: 1. Don Dotson (Tri); 2. Clark Sumner (Tri); 3. Jamie Jenny (Ric); 4. Joel Sweeney (BSA).
OPEN TW NOV: 1. Denis Van Gundy (Ric); 2. Pete Silva (Tri).
WMN INT: 1. Debbie Poole (CZ).
WMN NOV: 1. Teresa Fonseca (Kaw); 2. Ellen Voermans (Hon).
30+ EX: 1. Ron Fish (Yam); 2. Don Adams (Hon); 3. David Woodall (Bul); 4. Donn Anderson (Hus); 5. Jeff Naff (C-A).
30+ INT: 1. Scott Silvia (Kaw); 2. Christian Otero (Suz); 3. Clark Sumner (Suz); 4. Curtis Fournier (Hon); 5. Jeff Mitchell (Hon).
30+ NOV: 1. Carlos Romero (Yam); 2. Lynn Shoup (CZ); 3. David Starr (Yam); 4. Grant Gould (Pen); 5. Todd Badham (Hon).
40+ EX: 1. Dennis Spence (Hon); 2. Rick Doughty (Mai); 3. David Dotson (KTM); 4. John Gennai (Bul); 5. Robert Poole (BSA).
40+ INT: 1. Jerry Winkelbauer (Hon); 2. David Helwig (Yam); 3. Gary Egloff (Mai); 4. Chris Pietrzyk (Hon); 5. Mark Correa (Hon).
40+ NOV: 1. Richard Yamane (CZ); 2. Louis Hamil (CZ); 3. Gil Driscoll (A-E); 4. Dal Smilie (Hon); 5. Brian Grade (Hus).
50+ EX: 1. Russ Powell (Pen); 2. Danny Davies (Tribsa); 3. Lee Gerke; 4. Terry Hyde (Ric-Tri); 5. Ken Gerard (Hon).
50+ INT: 1. R. Glenn McMin (Mai); 2. Terry Pratt (CZ); 3. Fred Cameron; 4. Steve Lacey (Hon); 5. George Smith (Hus).
50+ NOV: 1. Ron Mazzaferro (CZ); 2. Ed Niebach (CZ); 3. Joe Cook (BSA); 4. Steve Churchill (Hus); 5. Ed Meagor (Ric).
60+ EX: 1. Jeff Smith (BSA); 2. Wayne Sumner (Tri-BSA); 3. Bill McClinton (BSA); 4. Duane Spence (Hon).
60+ INT: 1. Rod Brasel (Bul); 2. Ed Ott (Yam); 3. Tom Ramey (Hus).
60+ NOV: 1. Ralph Porzelt (Hon); 2. Richard Mayer (Hon); 3. Jim Cameron (BSA); 4. Harvey Williams (Yam); 5. Hank Cosio (BSA).

Higgins lassos Lone Star win

By Troy Raynor

LUBBOCK, TX, APR. 19

Rick Higgins rode a clean, fast pace on his Yamaha to capture the overall win at the Lone Star Enduro.

For the second time this year, the Rocky Mountain Enduro Circuit and Texas State Championship Enduro Circuit worked together to co-sanction an event for more than 400 riders. The three-loop, 24-mph-speed-average enduro was round three of the RMEC Championship Series.

The Lubbock Trail Riders set out to give the riders their money's worth right off the bat. At 11 miles into the event, the C riders were split off onto a separate trail and the A and B riders were arrowed into the dreaded "Rambo" section. The mostly single-track trail winds its way through several off-camber sidehills and steep valleys, and it is brutally rocky, tight and technical. This particular section of trail is well-known, even to the Colorado riders. It's perfect for taking points away from the riders early in the event. Most of the top riders lost double-digit points in this 12-mile-long test section. A 20-minute reset after the Rambo spanking got most everyone back on time before they completed the rest of the 29-mile first loop.

Loop two was run in more wide-open terrain. The flat-land stuff ran the riders on fast timekeeping trail through the Texas chaparral. The hot sun had drawn any moisture there was out of the sand, and dust was becoming a factor. AA riders Higgins, Hayden Franklin and RMEC fast guy Forrest Tobin were all still in contention and had zeroed the second loop.

The 22-mile third loop was more tight and technical trail. A sneaky "late" check-in caught several riders hot. At the 80-mile mark, there was another trail split; this time it was an "A only, fast guys this way" sign. The B riders were steered into a reset, while the A riders headed for more trail. Many of the riders started to fear the worst, and their fears were not unfounded. Could it be? Yes, it could, and yes, the course did return the riders into the Rambo section for another juniper-and-mesquite whipping! Big points were taken from the riders once again. Higgins was hard on the gas, making sure he wasn't going to get beaten on his home turf, but he had to squeak it out in the tie breakers with fellow Texas-circuit-rider Franklin. Higgins and Franklin ended up tied at 32 points. Third overall went to Tobin, who finished on his KTM with 39 points. Michael Wilson and Dax Brown completed the top five.

Ryan Brown, Shane Williams and Roy McMurtry finished first, second and third, respectively, in the 200cc A class. The dust didn't bother Dave Neumeister as he overalld the B class, while 200cc B-class rider Jonathan Miles took first place in his class.

The Lubbock Trail Riders did a nice job with this event. The tough, challenging course was well-marked and had good check placements, accurate mileages and no bottlenecks.

Results

O/A A: R. Higgins (Yam).
O/A B: D. Neumeister.
O/A C: D. Whitaker (Kaw).
AA: 1. H. Franklin (G-G); 2. F. Tobin (KTM); 3. M. Wilson (Hon); 4. D. Brown (KTM); 5. B. Penney (Kaw).
OPEN A: 1. G. Gabert (Hon); 2. T. Maxwell (Kaw); 3. B. Byrd (Yam); 4. D. Klein (Hus).
SR A: 1. J. Blythe (Kaw); 2. K. Smith (Yam); 3. J. Gutierrez (Kaw); 4. R. Hess (Hon); 5. J. Penney (KTM).
200 A: 1. R. Brown (Hon); 2. S. Williams (KTM); 3. R. McMurtry (Kaw); 4. A. Dicharry (Hon); 5. T. O'Connor (KTM).
250 A: 1. T. Slavik (KTM); 2. K. Sharp (Yam); 3. C. Clapsaddle (KTM); 4. W. McMahan (Yam); 5. J. Churchill (KTM).
4-STRK A: 1. G. Villanyi (Yam); 2. J. Roy (Hon); 3. S. Tescher (KTM); 4. J. Wey (Hus).
VET A: 1. R. Rengstart (Hon).
200 B: 1. J. Miles (Kaw); 2. B. Canion (KTM); 3. T. Baski (KTM); 4. G. Kivett (Kaw).
250 B: 1. C. Sanders (Hon); 2. M. Deutsch (KTM); 3. C. Denney (KTM); 4. C. Boswell (Kaw); 5. M. Justice (Hon).
OPEN B: 1. P. Rowen (KTM); 2. K. Grynwald (KTM); 3. J. Perry (KTM); 4. D. Andress (KTM); 5. M. Lawson (Yam).
SR B: 1. M. Atkins (KTM); 2. M. Fortman (Hon); 3. D. Keyser (KTM); 4. B. Krummel (KTM); 5. S. Vanatta (KTM).
S/SR B: 1. F. Stretch (KTM).
4-STRK B: 1. C. Deeds (Yam); 2. P. Favret (Hon); 3. K. Gruben (Hon); 4. M. Polley (Suz); 5. G. McMahan (Hon).
VET B: 1. L. Johnson (Kaw); 2. J. Prock (Yam); 3. R. McKinney (Yam); 4. S. Brown (Hon); 5. G. Jackson (KTM).
200 C: 1. J. Rose (Kaw); 2. K. Wilson (Yam); 3. B. Cox (KTM); 4. B. Leo (Yam); 5. K. Fender (Kaw).
250 C: 1. J. Godfrey (Suz); 2. T. Phillely (Yam); 3. L. Williams; 4. T. Putnam (Kaw); 5. J. Hendrickson (KTM).
OPEN C: 1. S. Lister (KTM); 2. D. Jackson (Kaw); 3. B. Stark (KTM); 4. R. Potter (KTM); 5. L. Beck (KTM).
SR C: 1. R. Grupp (Suz); 2. D. Bamber (Kaw); 3. G. Singleton (Hon); 4. S. Dennis (KTM); 5. D. Hooks (Kaw).
S/SR C: 1. K. Whitaker (Hon); 2. G. Webb (Hon); 3. S. Riffe (Hon); 4. J. Tobin (KTM); 5. B. Arnett (KTM).
4-STRK C: 1. R. James (Hon); 2. M. Harrell (Hon); 3. N. Tucker (Hus); 4. M. Cywinski (Kaw); 5. D. Stickley (ATK).
16-LW C: 1. J. Frazier (KTM); 2. C. McCabe (Yam); 3. D. Fowler (Kaw); 4. F. Humphrey (Yam); 5. C. Tittle (KTM).
16-SW C: 1. A. Smith (Kaw); 2. E. Crittenden (Yam); 3. D. Tittle (Kaw); 4. M. McBride (Hon); 5. C. Coppock (Kaw).
WMN: 1. R. Parsley (Yam); 2. K. Morse (Kaw); 3. M. Perry (Kaw); 4. T. Pulliam (Hon); 5. B. Downs (Hon).
VET C: 1. B. Schafer (KTM); 2. K. Cambern (Kaw); 3. C. Pierce (Yam); 4. P. Franke (Yam); 5. D. Reid (Suz).
MSTR: 1. B. Franklin (KTM); 2. J. Henry (Kaw); 3. V. Markworth (Kaw); 4. B. McKnight (Hon); 5. H. Wilson (Suz).
200 XC: 1. T. Snider (Kaw); 2. J. Cambern (Hon); 3. Z. Cambern (Kaw).

250 XC: 1. S. McCabe (Yam); 2. P. Singleton (Hon); 3. S. Gray (Yam); 4. R. Crowder (Suz); 5. M. Williams (Kaw).
 4-STRK XC: 1. B. Roe (Hon); 2. K. Grant (KTM); 3. K. Deeds (KTM); 4. N. Newton (Hon); 5. B. Robertson (Yam).
 OPEN XC: 1. R. Buchtien (KTM); 2. J. Moster (KTM); 3. S. Turner (KTM); 4. K. Hulslander (KTM); 5. R. Walker (ATK).

Bault, Homan go berserk at Albany SX

By Clay Light

ALBANY, OR, APR. 26

Kawasaki rider Rick Bault made his debut in the Over 40 Pro class a successful one by going berserk in both motos to come from behind and win at the CMC-sanctioned round of the Albany Supercross Series.

Bault was the recipient of midpack starts in both of the combined Over 40 Pro/Intermediate and Junior-class motos, but forged ahead of fellow KX pilot Jerry Ebert to earn the win in his class debut after turning 40 just days earlier. Bault's performances were a wake-up call to Dave Eakin, who has won several times this season and now has some stiff competition in Bault. Bault used a 1-1 tally to cash in for first overall, followed by Eakin (2-2), Ebert (4-3), Mike Perry (3-4) and Dave Merklin (5-6) in fifth.

"I'm pretty stoked about winning both motos," said Bault, a former top local professional in the late '70s and early '80s, "especially since I haven't raced for about a year and a half."

Justin Homan has been long overdue for an outdoor win after several impressive performances; unfortunately, crashes have kept the Bend, Oregon, rider out of the winner's circle in the 125cc Pro class. Yamaha riders Ryan Hagemann and Jason Matthews were the leaders in the first combined 125cc/Open Pro motos, setting up a great battle for the lead until Matthews broke free from Hagemann to score a runaway win in moto one. Hagemann, though, fell prey late in the moto to an on-the-move Homan, who took top 125cc honors behind Open Pro Matthews, but ahead of Hagemann and David Germain.

Moto two was much the same, as Hagemann and YZ400F pilot Matthews led the opening-lap parade. However, Hagemann quickly fell victim to Homan's FMF/SMP/Cascade Motorsports-backed RM. Hagemann did all he could to stop Homan's onslaught, but Homan carved past the local speedster to take top honors in the moto, ahead of Hagemann, a tiring Matthews and Germain.

The 125cc Intermediate class saw Cory Fuller fending off moto-one winner Shane St. John to take the overall win via his 2-1 performances. St. John (1-2) netted second overall, ahead of Matt Williams (3-3).

Yamaha rider Terry Hamness took a win in the Up The Hill class with his 1-1 performances, beating Kawasaki rider Gary Terlecki, who, with his 2-2 tallies, netted second overall, ahead of Ryan Leach. Leach came from well behind in both motos to chase Terlecki to the finish.

Results

P/W (4, 6): 1. Jared Wood (Lem); 2. Steele Angle-Davidson (KTM); 3. Dakota Smith (KTM).

P/W (7-8): 1. Danny Gubser (Lem); 2. Kendra Lancaster (Yam); 3. Brad Grubbs (KTM).

60 BEG: 1. Nick Platt (Kaw); 2. Steve Martinez (Kaw); 3. Tyler Hayes (Kaw).

60 SR: 1. Ajay Olinger (Kaw); 2. Mark Berry (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Joe Loisel (Hon); 2. Mike Toth (Kaw); 3. Jason Peterson (Yam).

80 JR: 1. Guy Tow (Kaw); 2. Danny Westwood (Suz).

80 JR (12-13): 1. Kenny Shelton (Yam); 2. Alex Hill (Suz); 3. Joey Mancuso.

80 JR (14-16): 1. Keith Kadell (Hon); 2. Anthony Rudolph (Yam); 3. Austin Gettel (Hon).

125 JR: 1. Raym Conkey (Hon); 2. Gabe Smith (Suz); 3. Kris Dixon (Suz).

125 BEG: 1. Jeff Mackie (Hon); 2. Brian Bundy (Suz); 3. Kyle Falls (Hon).

125 INT: 1. Cory Fuller (Yam); 2. Shane St. John (Yam); 3. Matt Williams.

125 PRO: 1. Justin Homan (Suz); 2. Ryan Hagemann (Yam); 3. Dave Germain (Hon).

250 BEG: 1. Cory Johnson (Yam); 2. Dennis Schmitt (Yam); 3. Ronnie Goodell.

250 JR: 1. Jeff Bergstrom (Yam); 2. Chris Bennett (Yam); 3. Ryan Koozer.

250 INT: 1. Gary Terlecki (Kaw); 2. David Turner (Kaw); 3. Jason Parks (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Jamie Munson (Hon); 2. Terry Hamness (Yam); 3. Don Bisceglia (Hon); 4. Jason Matthews (Yam); 5. Justin Homan (Suz).

UTH JR: 1. Jeff Bergstrom (Yam); 2. Mark Winn (Kaw); 3. Corey Shepherd (Kaw).

UTH INT: 1. Terry Hamness (Yam); 2. John Sabo (KTM); 3. Ben Parker (Hon).

BTH JR: 1. Gabe Smith (Suz); 2. Brian McDaniel (Kaw); 3. Brandon Mitchem.

BTH INT: 1. Gary Terlecki (Kaw); 2. Ryan Leach (Suz); 3. Jamie Large (Hon).

O/T INT: 1. Jim Harris (Hbg); 2. Ron Williams (Kaw); 3. Junior Meusling (Suz).

O/T JR: 1. Richard Marquez (Yam); 2. Kim McKillop (KTM); 3. Rusty Garrison.

O/T MNY: 1. Rick Bault (Kaw); 2. Dave Eakin (Hon); 3. Jerry Ebert (Kaw).

VET BEG: 1. Alex Schon (Hon); 2. Richard Marquez (Yam); 3. Tom Yeack.

VET INT: 1. Jason Smith (KTM); 2. Greg Harmon (Hon); 3. Randy Daval (Yam).

VET JR: 1. Dean Hartman (Hon); 2. Paul Nauman (Hon); 3. John Thayer (Yam).

VET PRO: 1. Dave Fox (Yam); 2. Joe Casey (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Keith Kadell (Suz); 2. Kenny Shelton (Yam); 3. Joe Loisel.

50+: 1. Dave Merklin (Suz); 2. Jim Parks (Yam); 3. Junior Meusling (Suz).

WMN: 1. Deanna Holbrook (Suz); 2. Joni Bisceglia (Suz); 3. Lindsey Duval; 4. Randi Holbrook.

OPEN AM: 1. Jason Smith (KTM); 2. Mike Smith (KTM).

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Dixon and Mayo muck up SVR MX opener

By Carl Davis

TIFFIN, OH, APR. 19

The Sandusky Valley Riders MC hosted the opening motocross race of the 1998 MRA racing season, which traditionally kicks off after the Pontiac SX every year. After a long winter of wanting to ride and then watching the Super-cross, everyone was pumped to get out on the track. Mother Nature spoiled what would have been a perfect track and turned it into a quagmire as a light rain fell throughout the day. Despite the conditions, more than 160 riders took to the track to ride on opening day.

Brad Dixon sloshed his way to overall wins in the combined Pro class and the 16-24 class to record a perfect sweep of the motos. The Canadian Kawasaki rider motored through the mud with only a couple of minor mishaps. In moto one of the 16-24 class, Dixon went down after tangling with someone over the tabletop sections, but quickly remounted to charge through the pack and take the win, over Jon Suman in second and Neil Carlson in third.

Dixon took both Pro-class moto wins despite pressure from Suzuki rider "Racin" Jason Foldesi. Foldesi led for a bit in moto one on his 125cc machine but took a small spill, which let Dixon by. Chris Lowell took third overall.

Barry Mayo scored six moto wins on the day, as the "Silver Fox" put his newly acquired Yamaha YZ400F through a serious workout around the hilly SVR circuit. Mayo glided to victory, winning the Over 35, Over 40 and Over 45 classes. In the Over 35 class, Mayo won over Anthony Gotts and Kevin Mousseau. Mayo roosted in the Over 40 class over Bob Bollenbaugh and Phil Peyton, and he bested Eric Carlson and John "Stumpy" Wirick in the Over 45 class.

The micros proved to be tough as a good crop of 50cc bikes battled in the mud on an abbreviated track that had been laid out for them. Kyle McConnell continued his winning ways by faking the win on his Cobra over with Logan Gillen (KTM) and Allen Jones (Lem).

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Robert Goupill (Yam); 2. Jordan Cannon (Yam).
 5/50 (4-6): 1. Garrett Daugherty (Kaw).
 50 (7-8): 1. Nicholas McCarthy (Yam); 2. Ryan Grvenberg (Yam); 3. Logan Gillen (KTM).
 5/50 (7-8): 1. Kyle McConnell (Cob); 2. Logan Gillen (KTM); 3. Allen Jones (Lem).
 60 (7-11): 1. Kelin Ferguson (Kaw); 2. Adam Behringer (Kaw); 3. Ashton Ing (Kaw).
 80 P/W: 1. Justin Cannon (Yam).
 80 BEG: 1. P.J. Ramsey (Hon); 2. Ton Hagele (Hon); 3. Justin Gillen (Kaw).
 80 NOV: 1. Andrew Janney (Hon); 2. Justin Larson (Hon); 3. Carl Custard (Hon).
 80 EX: 1. Jason Weidman (Hon); 2. Matt Nuber (Yam).
 125 JR: 1. Ricky Custard (Hon); 2. Brian Frantz (Kaw); 3. Jason Weidman (Hon).
 125 BEG: 1. Jake Ash (Yam); 2. Justin Schmehl (Hon); 3. Pat Nussbaum (Suz).
 125 NOV: 1. Mike Turinblom (Suz); 2. Richard Hesselbart (Hon); 3. Dennis Beard (Yam).
 125 INT: 1. Tony Robinson (Kaw); 2. Michael Turi (Hon); 3. Danny Little (Suz).
 250 BEG: 1. Phillip Snow (Yam); 2. Eric Goff (Hon); 3. Eric Howe (Hon).
 250 NOV: 1. Mike Rice (Hon); 2. Shane Bauman (Yam); 3. Adam Henninger (Kaw).
 250 INT: 1. Abe Kuhlman (Hon); 2. Cory Mason (Yam); 3. Matt Feasel (Kaw).
 125/250 EX: 1. Brad Dixon (Kaw); 2. Jason Foldesi (Suz); 3. Chris Lowell (Hon).
 16-24: 1. Brad Dixon (Kaw); 2. Jon Suman (Kaw); 3. Neil Carlson (Hon).
 25+: 1. Matt Vermilyea (Kaw); 2. Shane Bauman (Yam); 3. Dave Schneyer (Yam).
 30+: 1. James Schroeder (Hon); 2. Rick Custard (Hon); 3. Alan Newman (Kaw).



35+: 1. Barry Mayo (Yam); 2. Anthony Gotts (Suz); 3. Kevin Mousseau (Kaw).
 40+: 1. Barry Mayo (Yam); 2. Bob Bollenbaugh (Hon); 3. Philip Peyton (Hon).
 45+: 1. Barry Mayo (Yam); 2. Eric Carlson (Hon); 3. John Wirick (Hon).
 VINT 90: 1. Steve Gaggi (Suz).
 4-STRK: 1. Tim Vaughn (Yam); 2. Frank Decenzo (Yam).

The fun flies at Frankfort MX

By Rupert X. Pellett
 Photo by Mike Lewis

FRANKFORT, OH, APR. 12

Easter Sunday's motocross at Frankfort's Old Town Park turned out to be a star-studded affair, with such notables in attendance as Honda of Troy president Phil Alderton, 1980 Red Bud National winner Denny Swartz, and a handful of National-level Pro racers ready to do battle.

The Over 40 class saw a delightful first-moto duel between Swartz on his Yamaha and Alderton on Mike Brown's number 100 practice machine. Alderton gained the early advantage with some spirited riding, while Swartz played catch-up. Local fast-old-guy Gerry Bennett specced back in third as Swartz tried everything to get around the H.O.T. boss. While Alderton flew further on the jumps and seemed to be in tip-top condition, the wily Swartz sneaked around on the corners in different lines, searching for an opening. Finally, with two laps to go, Swartz made his move and ran to the checkers, with Alderton in close pursuit. Bennett finished a distant third in this field of 10 riders. Moto two was all Swartz, as Alderton registered a DNF. Bennett took second, ahead of Honda-mounted Kenny Reif.

The A classes witnessed intense battles between two of Ohio's hottest Pro riders, as Honda-mounted Mark Burkhardt went to war against F&S Suzuki's Greg Rand. Rand, a six-time National Amateur champ, is recently newsworthy for passing Ricky Carmichael at the Indianapolis Supercross, and he looks to be on the move for the big time again. The first moto of the 125cc A class saw Burkhardt, Chuck Reed and Rand jump out to form a three-man freight train, with David Puckett in fourth and Lloyd Gregory in fifth. Rand proved to have the drive as he quickly worked his way up front, with Burkhardt in tow. Reed followed at a distance in third. Though Burkhardt would catch Rand in some sections, Rand would pull a little distance in others and he took the win, ahead of Burkhardt in second and Reed in third.

The second 125cc A moto was all Burkhardt, as Rand did not start. Following Burkhardt to the checkers was Reed, Erik Leonard, Ryan McHale and David Puckett, in that order.

While Burkhardt won both motos of the 250cc A class, he once again had to clash with the rocket-fast Rand, who was apparently experiencing some discomfort.

"I really had a lot of arm pump out there, but Mark's riding real good, so it makes it even," said Rand after a rigorous first moto.

"I just do my best out there and try to have some fun," stated Burkhardt as he nursed his sore shoulder after coming off the track.

Summit Station, Ohio's Joshua Dohn was the man to beat in the 250cc B and Over 25 A classes, as the lanky lad went 2-1 in the 250s to win and 1-1 for the Over 25 trophy.

Marietta's Mike "Blazin'" Blair was unstoppable in the Over 25 A division, where he whipped his Suzuki of Greenville machine to the win ahead of Denny Swartz and Dallas Avery. Larry Shumaker was the Open B winner

(Far left) Barry Mayo raced to the Over 30, Over 35 and Over 40 wins at the opening round of the MRA MX Series in Tiffin, Ohio. (Left) Mark Burkhardt (695) won the 250cc A class over Greg Rand (163) at the Easter Sunday Motocross held at Frankfort's Old Town Motocross in Ohio. (Below) Mikey Garcia won the 60cc Beginner class at the opening round of the CRC Dunestown MX Series, held at LACR in Palmdale, California.



after jamming his CR500 to 2-1 postings and two killer holeshots.

Results:

50 (7-8): 1. Ryan Allbaugh (Cob); 2. Scottie Colburn (Cob); 3. Colby McCutcheon (Cob).
 50 (4-6): 1. Ryan Ivers (Cob); 2. Ryan Kerr (Cob).
 65: 1. Christopher Robertson (Kaw); 2. Joey Pellett (Kaw); 3. Zach Ames (Kaw); 4. Codi Adams (Kaw); 5. Tyler Maxel (Kaw).
 80 (7-11): 1. Dillion Rhoades (Suz); 2. Christopher Robertson (Suz); 3. Joey Pellett (Kaw); 4. Nick Carroll (Kaw); 5. Zach Ames (Kaw).
 80 (12-15): 1. Willy Browning II (Yam); 2. David Whitcraft (Suz); 3. Chris Whitcraft (Suz); 4. David Herb (Kaw); 5. Derek Sturgell (Kaw).
 80 EXTRA: 1. Dillion Rhoades (Suz); 2. Nick Carroll (Kaw); 3. Kyle Ringwald (Hon); 4. Jeremy Jonas (Hon); 5. Chad Helton (Suz).
 SCHBY 125: 1. Jason Wade (Hon); 2. David Whitcraft (Suz); 3. Justin Weber (Kaw); 4. Willy Browning (Yam); 5. Chris Whitcraft (Suz).
 125 A: 1. Mark Burkhardt (Hon); 2. Chuck Reed (Suz); 3. Erik Leonard (Yam); 4. David Puckett (Suz); 5. Ryan McHale (Hon).
 125 B: 1. Jason Wade (Hon); 2. David Rife (Kaw); 3. Charlie Paskins (Suz); 4. Larry Cobb (Suz); 5. Tony Robinson (Kaw).
 250 A: 1. Mark Burkhardt (Hon); 2. Greg Rand (Suz); 3. Chuck Reed (Suz); 4. Mike Blair (Suz); 5. Jesse Thumser (Hus).
 250 B: 1. Josh Dohn (Suz); 2. J.C. Cravens (Yam); 3. Kris Ross (Hon); 4. Dave Horn (Suz); 5. Mike Palmer (Kaw).
 250 C: 1. Mark Moore (Yam); 2. Jason Powers (Hon); 3. Darryl Miller (Kaw); 4. Brad Hollander (Kaw); 5. Stephen Sepeck (Hon).
 25+ A: 1. Mike E. Blair (Suz); 2. Denny Swartz (Yam); 3. Dallas Avery (Suz); 4. Erik Leonard (Yam); 5. Harold Combs III (Hon).
 25+ B: 1. Josh Dohn (Suz); 2. Kris Ross (Hon); 3. Joey Ford (Kaw); 4. Gary Folger (Suz); 5. Dave Horn (Suz).
 30+: 1. Greg Maddox (Yam); 2. Marty Berberich (Hon); 3. Terry Bernard (Suz); 4. Gerry Bennett (Suz); 5. Randy Bryant (Yam).
 40+: 1. Denny Swartz (Yam); 2. Gerry Bennett (Suz); 3. Kenny Reif (Hon); 4. Tim Malott (Suz); 5. Tim Root (Yam).
 OPEN B: 1. Larry Shumaker (Hon); 2. Richard Custard (Hon); 3. Myron Rosenberger (Kaw); 4. Mark Smith (Hon); 5. Danny Carter (Yam).

Garcia, Bucks score at Dunestown MX opener

By Greg Robertson

PALMDALE, CA, APR. 26

Mikey Garcia split moto wins with Timmy Ritzler to earn the 60cc Beginner-class win, while the Buck brothers, Miles and Tyler, earned the

80cc (12-16) and 250cc Novice-class wins, respectively, as the opening round of California Racing Club's 21st annual Dunestown Series was kicked off at Los Angeles County Raceway.

As the swarm of KX60s rounded the first turn in moto one, it was Ritzler out front, followed by David Medina, Garcia and Prestin Lundin. Garcia got around Medina after a lap but couldn't catch the fleeing Ritzler and had to settle for second at the finish. Shawn Butler overcame a midpack start to earn third, ahead of Zachary Brown and Medina.

Ritzler led round two until a stop for a soil sample on lap three dropped him way back. Garcia was right there to take the lead and he slowly pulled away from Medina to collect the overall. Medina's 5-2 edged out Butler's 3-4 for second overall.

YZ80-mounted Ryan Riess dominated the first 80cc (12-16) moto, going wire to wire for the win. Miles Buck gated second and kept Anthony Barbacovi at bay the entire distance for the runner-up finish. Mike Epstein finished fourth, ahead of Jaime Dietz.

Riess got off to another good start in moto two, ahead of Epstein and Barbacovi. Riess ran out front for a couple of laps before going down in the LACR sand and dropping to the back of the field. Miles had passed Barbacovi and Epstein, and inherited the lead when Riess went down. Miles controlled the second half of the moto to sew up the overall with 2-1 rides. Barbacovi went 3-2 for second, with Riess coming back to earn third with a 1-4 score.

The first 250cc Novice moto was all Tyler Buck's, as he put his CEF-backed RM250 into the early lead and had a clear track all the way to the checkers. Bryan Lamborn took second, ahead of Mike Little, Scott Minster and Ethan Dally.

Buck duplicated his outstanding first-moto performance with a runaway second-moto win. Jason Simmons held down second place for half the moto before going down, and Little secured second overall with 3-2 finishes. Lamborn came up through the pack for third, with Brett Fox going 6-4 for fourth overall.

Results

P/W YAM STK: 1. David Pedder (Yam); 2. Gregory Dahn (Yam); 3. Shawn Rhinehart (Yam); 4. Mark Carr (Yam); 5. Cody Dahn (Yam).
 P/W YAM MOD: 1. Michael Stewart (Yam).
 P/W BEG: 1. Cale Summerford (KTM); 2. Gregory Dahn (Lem).
 5/STK (4-6): 1. Cole Pugmire (Lem); 2. Dylan Pemberton (Cob); 3. Brandon Doll (Act); 4. Jake Lacey (Act); 5. Shawn Rhinehart (Lem).
 5/STK (7-9): 1. Shawn Butler (Cob); 2. Preston Lundin (KTM); 3. Daniel Del Toro Lundin (Cob).
 60 BEG: 1. Mikey Garcia (Kaw); 2. David Medina (Kaw); 3. Shawn Butler (Kaw); 4. Preston Lundin (Kaw); 5. Zachary Brown (Kaw).
 60 (0-8): 1. Trent Pugmire (Kaw); 2. Claudio Coto (Kaw).
 60 (9-11): 1. Robert Memoli (Kaw).
 80 BEG: 1. Erik Fausette (Hon); 2. Garret Warren (Kaw); 3. Adam Wilson (Hon); 4. Brett Crivier (Kaw); 5. Jimmy Solis (Yam).
 80 (7-11): 1. Vincent Rhoades (Yam); 2. Edward Herring (Kaw); 3. Robert Memoli (Hon).
 80 (12-16): 1. Miles Buck (Suz); 2. Anthony Barbacovi (Yam); 3. Ryan Riess (Yam); 4. Mike Epstein (Hon); 5. Jaime Dietz (Yam).
 WMN: 1. Layne Swanson (Hon).
 125 BEG: 1. Patrick Terry (Yam); 2. Patrick Brown (Suz); 3. Shawn Trabert (Hon); 4. Scott Nobles (Suz); 5. Bobby Garcia (Suz).
 125 NOV: 1. Donnie Durrer (Yam); 2. J.J. Bonanno (Yam); 3. Jason Clark (Suz); 4. Scott Howe (Suz); 5. Jared Williams (Yam).
 125 INT: 1. Mike Young (Yam); 2. Jason Dubin (Suz); 3. Jeff Eide (Hon); 4. Chris Thompson (Suz); 5. Leo Saul (Yam).
 125 PRO: 1. Dustin Evans (Suz); 2. Ryan Orr (Yam); 3. Brian Sweeney (Suz); 4. Mark Tilley (Suz).
 250 BEG: 1. Jason Allen (Kaw); 2. Jim Dinnins (Yam); 3. Jason Cave (Suz); 4. Kevin Woodruff (Hon); 5. Mike Burten (Suz).
 250 NOV: 1. Tyler Buck (Suz); 2. Mike Little (Suz); 3. Bryan Lamborn (Yam); 4. Brett Fox (Hon); 5. Ethan Dally (Yam).
 250 INT: 1. Jason Dubin (Suz); 2. Nick Mairose (Suz); 3. Robbie Dunham (Yam); 4. Kris Blomdahl (Suz); 5. Chuck Kober (Suz).
 250 PRO: 1. Donald Upton (Suz); 2. Dustin Evans (Suz); 3. Brian Sweeney (Suz); 4. Matt Bateman (Suz).
 500 NOV: 1. Steve Clark (Yam); 2. Norm Schiel (Hon).
 JR VET BEG: 1. Jim Dinning (Yam); 2. Shy Moshe (Yam).
 JR VET NOV: 1. Bryan Lamborn (Yam); 2. Ethan Dally (Yam); 3. Thomas Bell (Suz); 4. Brian Thomas (Yam); 5. Bob Gorman (Yam).
 JR VET INT: 1. Nick Mairose (Suz); 2. Robbie Dunham (Yam); 3. Eddie Guajardo (Suz); 4. Mike Little (Suz); 5. Chuck Kober (Suz).
 VET BEG: 1. Shy Moshe (Yam); 2. Raymond Dally (Yam).
 VET NOV: 1. John Davies (Kaw); 2. John Gomez (Yam); 3. Thomas Bell (Suz); 4. Darrell Sanders (Yam); 5. Rick Smith (Yam).
 VET INT: 1. Eddie Davis (Kaw); 2. Vince Baioni (Hon); 3. Chris Ray (Yam); 4. Mike Little (Suz); 5. Mike Licitra (Kaw).
 VET EX-PRO: 1. Rich Truchinski (Hon); 2. Tracy Oswell (Yam); 3. Andy Segale (Kaw); 4. Tim Telford (Hon).
 SR BEG-NOV: 1. Buster Akrey (Kaw); 2. Tom Patton (Yam); 3. Rick Bahaman (Kaw); 4. Rees Benson (Hon); 5. Wiley Seitzler (Kaw).
 SR INT-EX: 1. Andy Segale (Kaw); 2. Bob Shimp (Yam); 3. Norm Schiel (Hon); 4. Tracy Oswell (Yam); 5. Steve Bucey (Hon).

Windmann wins Nasty Creek HS

By Frank Leivan

STEELVILLE, MO, APR. 19

The third round of the Missouri Hare Scrambles Championship Series saw KTM-mounted Mike Windmann hold off the late-race charge of Chris Thiele to claim his first-ever overall victory.

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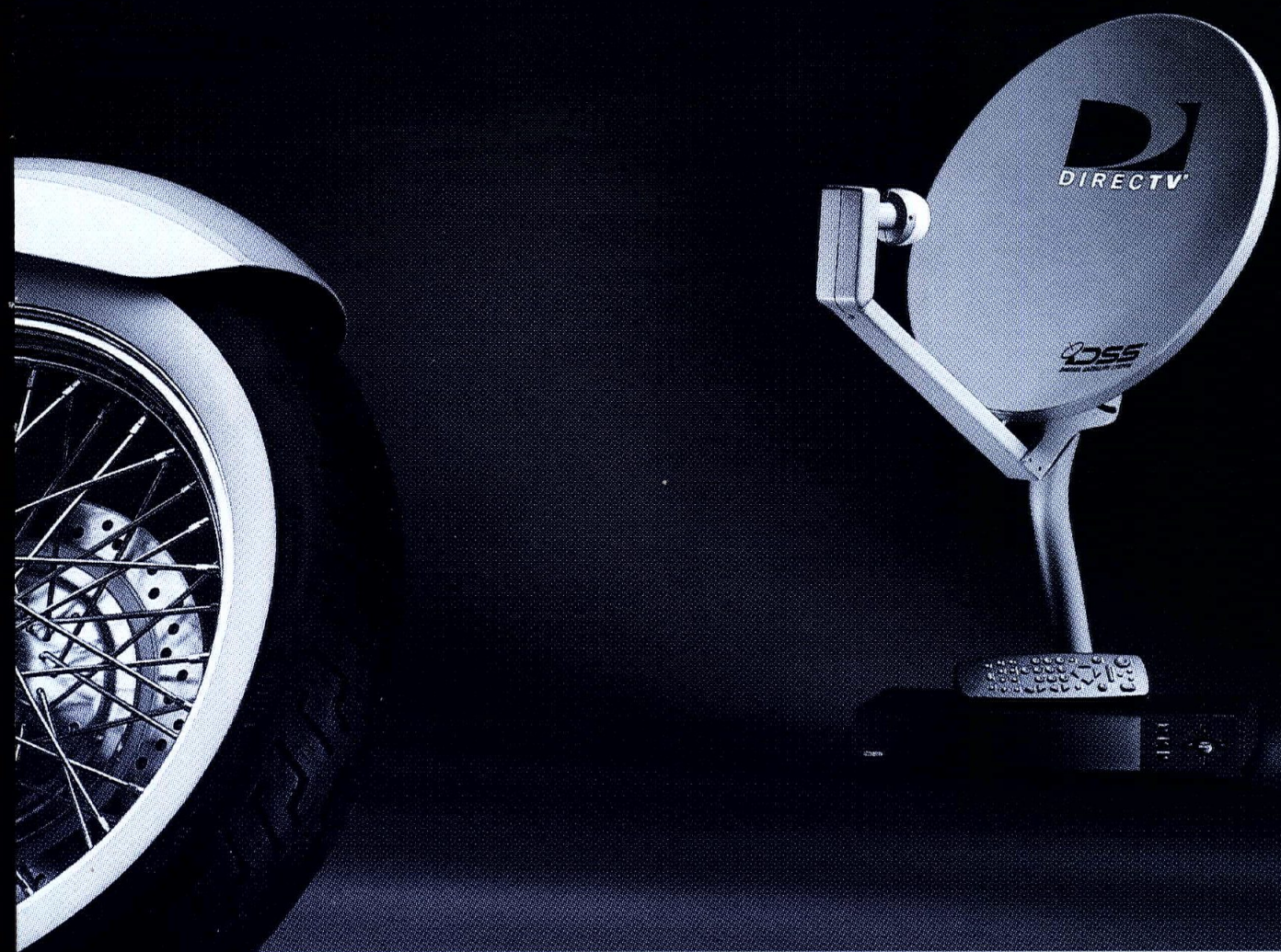
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Windmann also become the third different rider in as many events to claim the top position.

A very rocky and technical course, measuring just about 10 miles, greeted the 229 riders on a calm and sunny day. Trail conditions were nearly perfect and lap times for the front-runners measured right around the 30-minute mark. The top four riders consistently turned in laps just under 30 minutes and were the only riders to go five laps.

Thiele pushed his J&W Cycles-backed Kawasaki into the lead at the start, followed by Chris Caplinger, Chris Nesbitt, Windmann and defending series champion Steve Leivan on his Sport Cycles YZ400F. Windmann and Leivan moved past Nesbitt quickly, and these five riders distanced themselves from the rest of the AA class. Near the 4-mile mark on lap one, Leivan suffered a minor problem.

"Something pulled the shifter snake in under the flywheel cover and I couldn't upshift," Leivan explained. "I stopped and was able to break it loose by hand and only lose one spot."

Thiele continued to lead and Caplinger held second until just slightly over a mile from the end of the first lap, when he went down in a rocky turn. Windmann moved into second, Leivan took over third, and Caplinger recovered to hold on to fourth.

Windmann overtook Thiele for the top spot on the second circuit, while Leivan and Caplinger duelled over third on their thumpers. Lapped traffic became an obstacle for the leaders near the end of the lap, and with not many places for the slower riders to move over, lap times increased slightly.

"I was kind of happy to be following Mike (Windmann), because he was doing all of the yelling and the lappers were moving for him and letting me by, too," Thiele explained.

Nothing much changed up front on the third lap, except that Caplinger suffered a nasty get-off that banged up a finger and forearm, and he lost a little time to Leivan in the battle to go after the leaders. Windmann's lead after the third time around measured only two seconds over Thiele, while Leivan was another 45 seconds back. Next came Caplinger, and Chad Busenbark had taken control of the fifth spot from Nesbitt, who was suffering a power loss due to a smashed exhaust system.

During the fourth lap, Leivan was able to whittle the margin down to only a second from Thiele and 19 seconds from race leader Windmann, partly due to a confrontation with a lapper just before the scoring barrel.

"There was a fence up in the creek that we had to go around, and Chris (Thiele) was leading when we got there," Windmann explained. "This lapper stopped right in front of Chris, and I went around both of them but couldn't get through the opening and had to get off my bike and drag it around. Thiele tried going up the rock bank and flipped his bike upside down, and I went through and got a little gap on him."

Thiele and Leivan both pitted at the completion of the lap, allowing Windmann to gain even more of a lead. Thiele stopped for fresh goggles and Leivan got goggles and a splash of gas before heading out on the final circuit. Thiele immediately picked up the pace and set out after Windmann.

"I had to push it and I rode over my head a few times trying to catch up," claimed Thiele.

And catch up he did. With only the final creek section that led to the finish remaining, Thiele was right on the rear fender of Windmann. Windmann held his ground and rode error-free for the last few hundred yards, while Thiele's last-ditch effort came up short when he went down in the rocky creek bed.

"I had a pretty good start and rode comfortable all day," Windmann said about his winning ride. "I thought that if I was that close, I might as well see what it was like to win one of these."

Leivan brought his Yamaha home in third, two minutes ahead of Caplinger, who soldiered on to finish fourth after his crash. Busenbark claimed the fifth spot after spending most of the day riding alone.

Results

O/A: 1. Mike Windmann (KTM); 2. Chris Thiele (Kaw); 3. Steve Leivan (Yam); 4. Chris Caplinger (Yam); 5. Chad Busenbark (Yam); 6. Chris Nesbitt (Yam); 7. Ken Yount (Yam); 8. Jason Counts (Kaw); 9. Kevin Boyle (Hon); 10. Dale Rector (Hon).

AA: 1. Chris Thiele (Kaw); 2. Steve Leivan (Yam); 3. Chris Caplinger (Yam); 4. Chad Busenbark (Yam); 5. Chris Nesbitt (Yam).

A: 1. Jason Counts (Kaw); 2. Kevin Boyle (Hon); 3. Dale Rector (Hon); 4. Dan Burgard (Yam); 5. Charles Thiele (Kaw).

125 B: 1. Brandon Forrester (Yam); 2. Levi Rawson (Yam); 3. Jason Dill (Kaw); 4. Rick Daubenspeck (Suz); 5. Luke Manion (Yam).

200 B: 1. Dan Dohogne (Kaw); 2. Everett Shinalt (Kaw); 3. Steve Crews (Kaw); 4. Jesse Faulstich (Kaw); 5. David Hawthorth (KTM).

250 B: 1. David Wilfong (Yam); 2. Matt Weis (Yam); 3. Ryan Wuebbeling (Yam); 4. David Dillingham (Yam); 5. Nick Crawford (Yam).

OPEN B: 1. Tony Kirkup (KTM); 2. Tom Prenger (KTM); 3. Karlan Kastendieck (Suz); 4. Kelly Eye (KTM); 5. Jeff Deeken (Hon).

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VET: 1. Ricky Matteson (Yam); 2. David Gerbes (Yam); 3. Dwayne Munch (Hon); 4. Jon Simons (Yam); 5. Kevin Harman (Yam).

SR: 1. Ron Ribolzi (Yam); 2. Brad Barnett (Yam); 3. John Newberry (Hon); 4. William Guffey (Yam); 5. Bill Gold (Yam).

S/SR: 1. Bob Caplinger (ATK); 2. Rick Whelove (Hus); 3. Carl Donelson (ATK); 4. Bob Jones (Kaw); 5. Frank Leivan (Yam).

JR: 1. Zack Mabery (Hon); 2. Jeremy Wisecup (Kaw); 3. Matt Wampler (Hon); 4. James Sloan (Yam); 5. Mike Rozier (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Denny Turlin (Kaw); 2. Tim Gibson (Hon); 3. Gary Wolf (Suz); 4. Bryan Roy (Kaw); 5. Josh Murray (Kaw).

TR: 1. Jeff Shrader (Kaw); 2. Josh Shipley (Kaw); 3. Todd Heckt (Hon); 4. Greg Gulley (Hon); 5. Josh Walters (Kaw).

Hoenshell still undefeated at XR National Motocross

By Darryl Smith

DALLAS, TX, APR. 26

Clay Hoenshell cleaned up one more time, taking home the largest share of the \$750 Pro purse at Cartwright's sixth annual XR National. Hoenshell has never lost in Unlimited Pro competition since the inaugural race in 1993. Rain clouds threatened all day long, but only a few drizzles came down and that wasn't even enough keep the dust down. Race promoter John Cartwright lost some land and had to reroute the track this year, but somehow he came up with a longer track that had the riders begging for shorter motos.

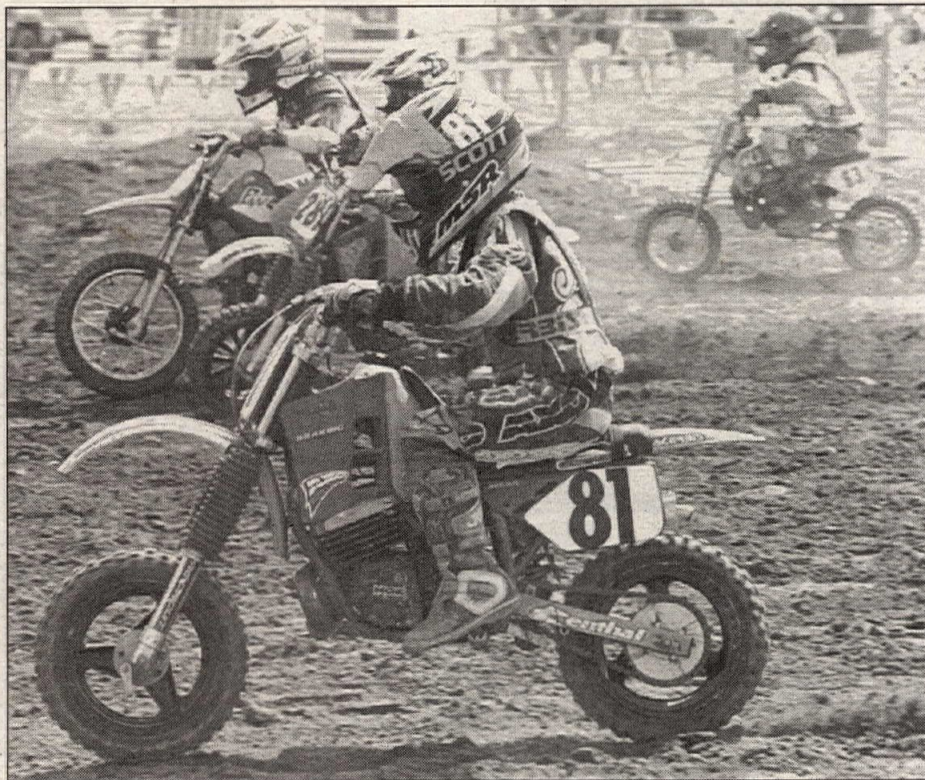
Hoenshell was not without challenge, though, as the large purse brought out some new contenders. Russ Murphy entered his beautifully prepared Team Practice Racing Yamaha in hopes of getting a share of the pie. When the gate dropped for moto one, LSC Racing's Jack Yost carved the tight right-handed first turn in the lead. Murphy immediately muscled Hoenshell out of the good line to pull into second. Gary Benton tucked inside the fast, sweeping third turn to take the lead while Yost pushed Murphy over the outside berm. Benton was able to hold Murphy back for two laps until Murphy flew past him over the triples (he was the only rider attempting the triples, and he did it every lap). Hoenshell worked up from his start and passed Benton, who was a little down on horsepower. Then it took Hoenshell three laps to catch the high-flying Murphy. Hoenshell used the same turn to take the lead that he used on Benton, but this time with a little contact. Murphy passed on a couple of chances to stuff Hoenshell and settled into second place for the last half of the moto.

Hoenshell didn't mess around in the second moto and jumped out front right away with a clean holeshot. Murphy was right behind him for the entire 15-lap moto, but Hoenshell never faltered, making it a clean two-moto sweep. Benton cruised home to an easy third-place finish.

A couple of near misses excited the crowd during the first round of motos. Jason Kirk grabbed the early lead but was quickly passed by Kyle Parks in the Stock class. Kirk dived under Parks before the first double, causing a collision and forcing each rider to single it. On the next lap, Parks set up Kirk at the same double and got enough speed to clear the jump and make the pass. From then on, Parks pulled away.

The second Stock moto was all Kirk, with Clay Lahatte keeping him honest in second. The real excitement came from watching Larry Zimmerman. He low-sided in the fast sweeper, and from then on he was all over the track, trying to catch back up. He swapped as he singled the last jump of the triples but kept it upright, but later ran off the course. He did manage to take third in the moto, even with all of his erratic riding.

Steve Dawson and David Rogers had a short-lived battle in the Unlimited Amateur



(Above) Alan Jiron (81) won the 50cc (4-6) class at the second round of the CMC Spring Classic MX Series, held at Competition Park in San Jacinto, California.

(Above left) Clay Hoenshell (1) came back to win the Unlimited Pro class over Russ Murphy (14) with a 1-1 at the sixth annual XR National MX, held in Dallas, Texas.

ranks. Dawson led until he came up way short on the biggest double there. The impact ejected his silencer and Rogers took over as Dawson struggled to reclaim his form, even though he did not crash. The second moto was a sleeper, as Dawson led nine of the 10 laps to take the win and overall.

Results:

STK AM: 1. Jason Kirk (Hon); 2. Clay Lahatte (Hon); 3. Larry Zimmerman (Hon).

STK PRO: 1. Kyle Parks (Hon); 2. Brad Whitaker (Yam).

MOD AM: 1. Dusty Hollister (Kaw); 2. Larry Zimmerman (Hon); 3. Phillip Gentry (Hon).

U/L AM: 1. Steve Dawson (Suz); 2. David Rogers (Yam); 3. Sean Stevens (Kaw).

MOD PRO: 1. Jack Yost (Hon).

U/L PRO: 1. Clay Hoenshell (Hon); 2. Russ Murphy (Yam); 3. Gary Benton (Yam).

Hodges shines at Spring Classic MX

By Tony Alessi

SAN JACINTO, CA, APR. 26

Ash Hodges put it all together in the 125cc Beginner class by scoring the overall victory during round two of the CMC Spring Classic MX Series, held at Competition Park.

Hodges raced mostly unchallenged in the first 125cc Beginner moto after heavy favorite James Ward had mechanical problems before the start of the first moto.

"The spark plug fouled on the line," Ward explained. "We tried to hurry and change it but they started the race anyway."

Ward started way late and could only manage a disappointing 13th-place finish by the end of the race.

The second moto saw Ward come back with fire in his eyes as he and first-moto winner Hodges duked it out for the lead. After exchanging some frame paint, Ward went on to win the race. But when the dust settled, Ward's 13-1 was only good enough for eighth place behind Shane Childs, Kevin Hansweed, Garrett Cowstetter, Brian Melsheimer, Sean McKee, Kyle Quilette and overall winner Hodges.

Tyson Taylor showed awesome speed in the 125cc Intermediate class by posting a double moto win over NCY/Thor-backed Josh Warner and Gerrit Ordelman on his O'Neal-backed Yamaha. Taylor raced on pace with top local Pro Pat McMullen for the greater part of both motos.

Speaking of Pros, John Sereika was arguably the fastest Pro in the attendance, turning the day's fastest lap times on his JT/Noleen-backed Yamaha. Sereika walked away from McMullen during both 250cc Pro motos while performing awesome leaps over the biggest jumps on the track.

The Mace brothers wreaked havoc on the competition in the mini ranks, with Kyle Mace

posting both moto wins on his Pro Circuit Suzuki in the 80cc (12-13) class and his older brother Justin Mace doing the deed in the Supermini race.

"Justin's getting too big for the Mini class," said his dad. "We are getting Ricky Carmichael's practice KX125 next week for Justin. He really needs to move up to the big bikes."

Justin topped his brother Kyle and Scott Simon (who placed third and second, respectively) in the Supermini race, while Kyle topped Simon in the 80cc (12-13) age group.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Alan Jiron (Cob); 2. Nic Paulizzi (Cob); 3. Ryan Warmath (Yam); 4. Kieffer Silva (KTM).

50 (7-8): 1. Matthew Dormack (KTM); 2. Ethan Blood (Yam).

60 (0-8): 1. Roberto Jiron (Kaw); 2. Kalin Goodsite (Kaw); 3. Anthony Sanabria (Kaw).

60 (9-11): 1. Mike Alessi (Kaw); 2. Nick Bailey (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Randall Hall (Kaw); 2. Jeff Vaughn (Hon); 3. Austin Hodges (Hon); 4. Matt Kelley (Hon); 5. Chris Duenes (Hon).

80 (7-11): 1. Mike Alessi (Kaw); 2. Jeff Loop (Yam); 3. Tristan Kallas (Hon); 4. Donald Chollar (Hon); 5. Bruce Wilkinson (Suz).

80 (12-13): 1. Kyle Mace (Suz); 2. Scott Simon (Suz).

S/MINI: 1. Justin Mace (Kaw); 2. Scott Simon (Suz); 3. Kyle Mace (Suz).

125 BEG: 1. Ash Hodges (Yam); 2. Kyle Quilette (Yam); 3. Sean McKee (Yam); 4. Brian Melsheimer (Yam); 5. Garrett Cowstetter (Hon).

125 JR: 1. Brent Denton (Yam); 2. Danny Cooper (Yam); 3. Eddie Laret (Kaw); 4. Ben Stampfl (Suz); 5. Rod Hamby (Yam).

125 INT: 1. Tyson Taylor (Hon); 2. Josh Warner (Yam); 3. Gerrit Ordelman (Yam); 4. Josh Moraine (Hon); 5. Brian Reichel (Yam).

125 PRO: 1. Pat McMullen (Suz).

SCHBY: 1. Josh Moraine (Hon); 2. Brent Denton (Yam); 3. Rod Hamby (Yam).

250 BEG: 1. Joe Stanbary (Hon); 2. Manny Dominguez (Kaw); 3. Garrett Mathews (Hon); 4. James Stewart (Yam); 5. Henry Hornsveld (Hon).

250 JR: 1. Eddie Laret (Kaw); 2. John Atwood (Hon); 3. Glen Gordy (Yam); 4. Jimmy Robinson (Kaw); 5. Jim Finerly (Suz).

250 INT: 1. Jimmy Bayeson (Kaw).

250 PRO: 1. John Sereika (Yam); 2. Pat McMullen (Suz).

O/T BEG: 1. Manny Dominguez (Kaw); 2. Jeff B. (Suz); 3. Harrold Winkles (Yam).

O/T JR: 1. Dennis Voban (Suz); 2. Paul Berton (Hon); 3. Brian Borch (Yam); 4. P. Keyers (Yam).

O/T AM: 1. Jeff Hawthorne (Suz); 2. Jeff Petron (KTM); 3. Richard Bealer (Yam); 4. Don Meiner (Hon); 5. Randall Sandefer (Yam).

O/T NOV: 1. Raleigh Webster (Hon); 2. Frank Derby (Hon); 3. Barry Simon (Hon); 4. Bob Klatt (Kaw); 5. John Webb (Hon).

O/T MX MSTR: 1. Allan O'Brien (Yam); 2. Scott Martin (Hon).

O/T EX: 1. Jim McConnell (Kaw); 2. Rick Bealer (Yam); 3. Scott McDonall (Hon); 4. Lee Evans (Suz).

O/T MSTR: 1. Tim Marsh (Hon).

O/T PRO: 1. Brad Leyden (Suz).

VET AM: 1. Jim Masters (Hon); 2. Luke Kelley (Yam).

WMN: 1. Jennifer Caputo (Yam); 2. Dawn Rogers (Yam); 3. Raini Cambra (Yam).

Comeaux comes alive at Possum Cove ST

By James Henry

LAKE CHARLES, LA, APR. 25

Rome Comeaux took the win in the Open Pro class at a Short Track held at Possum Cove Speedway's one-eighth-mile track.

The 50cc heats started things off, with Trevor Martin taking the lead and the eventual win over Jamie Stratton and Patrick Comeaux. The main went much the same way, with Martin running off to the win over Stratton and Comeaux.

The 80cc heat and main saw Doogie Trahan take the win over Kyle Gott.

The LaRacca brothers, Danny and Joe, set the pace in the Amateur heat, each trying to best the other, with Jake Thomure close behind. Danny LaRacca won the heat and did the same in the main, over Thomure and Danny's brother Joe.

In the Open Pro-class heat, there was a three-way battle between Comeaux, Jeff Clark and Jim Henry. On the start, Henry got the holeshot, but the relentless pressure of Comeaux and Clark soon sent him back to third. Comeaux and Clark battled for the lead and Comeaux hung tough to take the win.

In the main event, it was another three-man race, with Henry getting the holeshot again. Comeaux took over the lead on lap two and went on for an easy win. The battle for second continued until lap four, when Henry went wide, allowing Clark to go by for second. Henry held on to finish third.

Results

50 MINI: 1. Trevor Martin; 2. Jamie Stratton; 3. Patrick Comeaux.

80 MINI: 1. Doogie Trahan; 2. Kyle Gott.

OPEN AM: 1. Danny LaRacca; 2. Jake Thomure; 3. Joe LaRacca.

OPEN PRO: 1. Rome Comeaux; 2. Jeff Clark; 3. Jim Henry.

Leahy equals victory at OTHG Motocross

By Catherine and Chris Sanchirico

MORENO VALLEY, CA, APR. 26

Dan Leahy pulled off the all-important second-moto victory to take the overall in the Over The Hill Gang Novice class at Starwest Motocross Park. It was a beautiful, sunny day - one meant to be soiled with dust, sweat and two-stroke smoke.

Twenty-two hungry Novices lined up for their shot at the holeshot, but Jan Roth proved to be the hungriest as he powered his CCM to the front. Doug Mohr, Sam Rodriguez and Doug Lovett gave chase. Mohr passed Roth, but it was short-lived as Roth quickly retaliated to reclaim the lead for good. Leahy, who started deep in the pack, quickly went to work slicing through the field and worked his way around Rodriguez through the whoops to claim third. He then set his sights on Mohr, relegating him to third, but it was too late to catch Roth, who had established a huge lead. The battle for third began to heat up as Mohr, Lovett and Russ Prior prepared to duke it out. Prior blitzed through the whoops, passing both Lovett and Mohr to claim sole possession of third. At the finish, it was Roth, followed by Leahy and Prior.

The second-moto action began with Roth putting his thumper out front again, with Bill Kokman, Long Beach Yamaha-backed Mark Jones and Mohr in tow. Roth liked his plan from moto one and proceeded to check out, but this time Leahy would have something to say about it. Leahy realized he needed to get through the field quicker and blasted past Lovett and Jones. With Mohr the only thing between him and Roth, Leahy made the pass for second in the whoops. Now the battle for the overall was on. Roth gave it a valiant effort, but Leahy had the whoop section dialed in and left Roth in his wake. The battle for second place intensified as Prior entered the picture and began to rub elbows with Roth. In the last turn, Prior took second from Roth, but Roth would not be denied and outjumped Prior at the finish-line tabletop to win by the margin of a worn knobby. That move gave Roth second overall on the day, with Prior taking third. Leahy, of course, took first overall with a 2-1.

Results

BEG: 1. Dean Pollak; 2. Jeff Wallen; 3. Mathew Ruming; 4. Jacques Germain; 5. Mike Rawson.

NOV: 1. Dan Leahy; 2. Jim Roth; 3. Russ Prior; 4. Sam Rodriguez; 5. Doug Lovett.

INT: 1. Jeff Scott; 2. Phil Means; 3. Dave Rodriguez; 4. Mike Marrin; 5. Jeff Hamblin.

EX: 1. Jim Willmon; 2. Tim McEntee.

38+ BEG: 1. Bob Stutzman; 2. James Holman; 3. Mike Caruso; 4. Mike Mattal; 5. Jim Clouse.

38+ NOV: 1. Carl Foley; 2. Mike Fanelly; 3. Robert Esparza; 4. Gary Juola; 5. Bill Millar.

38+ INT: 1. Dan Smith; 2. Kirk Luftwaffe; 3. John Lundberg; 4. Jeff Mason; 5. Bob Wagner.

38+ EX: 1. Greg Green; 2. Mike Altenhofel; 3. Rick Purcell; 4. James Coppedge; 5. Rob Townley.

PRO: 1. Craig Canoy; 2. Skip Godinez; 3. Jon Levey; 4. Mark Sirota; 5. Tony Rodriguez.

Crown king of Spring Fling MX

By S. Bagger

STANTON, MI, APR. 14

Matt Crown is certainly not a newcomer to District 14 motocross. In fact, his name has almost become a household word to many Michigan families, as Crown has performed his suspension magic for hundreds of riders through his business, MCR Suspensions. Not only does Crown offer his services week in and week out to racers who are eager to become more proficient, he practices what he preaches every weekend at the local tracks. Lately, that has spelled trouble for nearly everybody, including the 250cc A-class riders. Crown just recently turned 30, and it looks as if this could be his magic number, as he has totally dominated the Over 25 and 30 classes and can always be counted on to be a contender in the 250cc A division.

Moreland's USA Speedway hosted the sixth round of the Spring Fling MX Series, and Mother Nature continued to cooperate by offering up another beautiful spring day with temperatures hovering around 65 degrees, bright sunshine and just enough wind to help control the dust. As usual, the Moreland's crew did a fine job throughout the day, with only one minor hiccup during afternoon sign-ups which slowed the start of the program momentarily. But with more than 800 riders in attendance, this was understandable. The watering crew worked throughout the day and the track stayed nearly dust-free, forming beautiful berms and becoming rough enough to challenge even the best riders.

After cleaning house during the morning session in the Over 30 class, Crown entered the Over 25 class for the afternoon program. Between working on customers' suspensions, Crown continued to have his way with the field of 30 riders, which included many 250 and 125cc A riders. Crown pulled the holeshot in the first moto and appeared to be in a very big hurry to get it over with. He continued to stretch his lead over the six-lap race and took the win over Bob Mugan and Dave Korte by an incredible 30 seconds.

After Crown totally wasted the competition in the first moto, the second moto was promising to be real yawn. But when the dust settled from the first turn, it was the Kawasaki of Korte leading the pack. After a brief stay in third, Crown quickly found his way to the front by first setting up Mugan in the off-camber switchbacks and then reeling in Korte and making a beautiful pass in the totally whooped-out straight along the woods. After moving into the lead, Crown made it look easy as he launched off the 110-foot double with ease and performed a few whips for the appreciative crowd.

"I didn't qualify for any Pro Nationals last year and recently just turned 30," Crown said after the race. "That will allow me to ride the Amateur Nationals this year in the Vet classes. I know that many other former Pros are returning to the Amateur ranks, and I'm really looking forward to going to Loretta Lynn's. I also think it will be good for my business, as many of the area's top riders that use my suspension services will be there, and maybe I can help them if they need it. I grew up racing motorcycles in District 14 and it feels good to get back to my roots and stay involved in something I have always loved."

Results

60: 1. Grant Moreland (Kaw); 2. Eric Miller (Kaw); 3. Corey Slavik (Kaw); 4. Kyle Rothgeb (Kaw); 5. T.J. Auten Jr. (Kaw).
80 (12-15): 1. Nicholas Vaughn (Kaw); 2. Frank Jungnitsch (Suz); 3. Eric Baird (Suz); 4. Christopher Whitcraft (Suz); 5. Robby Wheeler (Suz).

80 (7-11): 1. Nicholas Adams (Kaw); 2. Grant Moreland (Suz); 3. Jake Marsack (Yam); 4. Kyle Rothgeb (Hon); 5. T.J. Auten Jr. (Kaw).

80 C: 1. Nate Larsen (Kaw); 2. Mitch Sluder (Kaw); 3. Matthew Ross (Hon); 4. David Reed (Hon); 5. Nathan Barrett (Yam).

125 A: 1. Kelly D. Smith (KTM); 2. Randy Valade (Kaw); 3. Nicholas Wey (Kaw); 4. Ryan Valade (Suz); 5. Nathan Miller (Hon).

125 B: 1. Ian D. Hammond (Suz); 2. Jason McDonald (Suz); 3. Joshua Long (Suz); 4. Jeremy Maul; 5. Kyle Kohler (Yam).

125 C D-1: 1. Michael Allen (Hon).

125 C D-2: 1. Samuel Arnold (Hon); 2. D.J. Greening (Hon); 3. Chase Ailing (Hon); 4. Raymond Medina (Yam); 5. Corey Urbain (Suz).

125 JR: 1. Joshua Woods (Kaw); 2. Ian D. Hammond (Suz); 3. Joey Dell Sly (Hon); 4. Zackary Beeke (Yam); 5. Jeremy Pastor (Suz).

250/OPEN A: 1. Nicholas Wey (Kaw); 2. Willy Smith (KTM); 3. Randy Valade (Kaw); 4. Ryan Haines (Hon); 5. Matthew Crown (Kaw).

250 OPEN B: 1. Joshua Woods (Kaw); 2. Jason McDonald (Suz); 3. Jeremy Maul (Suz); 4. Michael Mercer (Suz); 5. Josh Long (Suz).

250 OPEN C: 1. Tim Schocke (Yam); 2. Michael Robishaw (Hon); 3. Bob Bailey (Kaw); 4. Travis Fuzi (Kaw); 5. Nathan Schied (Suz).

16-24: 1. Nicholas McNelly (Suz); 2. Jeremy Hughson (Yam); 3. Ryan Ross (Hon); 4. Rex Lloyd (Yam); 5. Dane Grivicic (Yam).

25+: 1. Matthew Crown (Kaw); 2. Dave Korte (Kaw); 3. Bob Mugan (Kaw); 4. Gary Radzicki (Kaw); 5. Tommy Kirk (Hon).

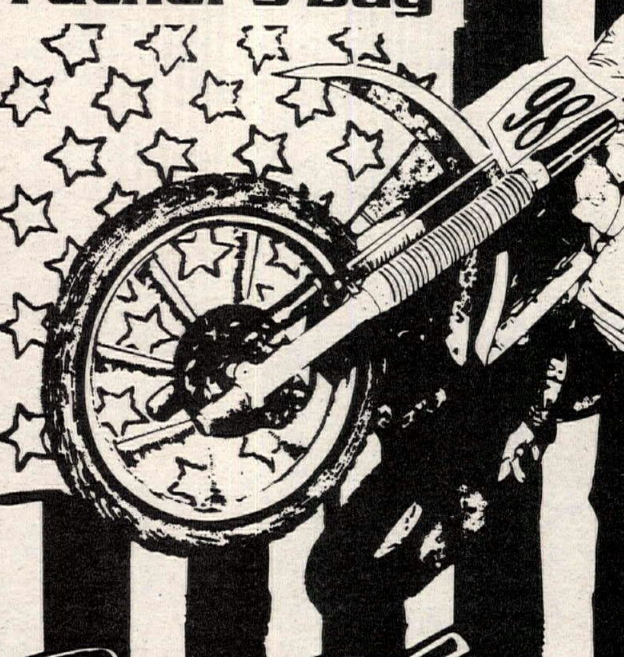
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(Above) Danny Carlson won the 125 and 250cc Pro classes at the opening round of the Spring Night MX Series, held at the revamped Starwest Motocross Park in Moreno Valley, California.

(Right) Joseph Schueler won the 250cc A and Open A classes and finished second in the highly competitive 125cc A class at the third round of the D-7 Expert MX Series in Hanover, Pennsylvania.

30+: 1. Matthew Crown (Kaw); 2. Kreg Bigelow (KTM); 3. Edward Hietjje (Kaw); 4. Mark A. Cheza (KTM); 5. Scott Currie (Hon).
 35+: 1. Kreg Bigelow (KTM); 2. Scott Currie (Hon); 3. Gary Seibert (Suz); 4. Frederick Mervau (Kaw); 5. Shay Fisher (Hon).
 40+: 1. Jeffrey Bost (Hon); 2. Daniel Carlton (Suz); 3. Frank Helms (Yam); 4. Mike Teagan (Kaw); 5. Michael Beckwith (Kaw).
 50+: 1. Robert Chapman Jr. (Hon); 2. John Korte (Hon); 3. Douglas Hildebrandt (Kaw); 4. Ronald Sage (Hon); 5. Edward Hietjje.
 BMBR: 1. Brian Forbes (Kaw); 2. Michael Watson (Kaw).
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 NON-CUR: 1. Russ Johnson (Suz); 2. Michael Decker (Hon); 3. Donald Trucks (Yam); 4. Mark Border (Yam); 5. Larry Hagg (Kaw).

Simon scores two at Starwest MX

By Tony Alessi

MORENO VALLEY, CA, APR. 25

Scott Simon powered his Smith/Motul/IMS-backed Suzuki to a four-moto sweep of the 80cc (12-13) and Supermini divisions during the grand opening of the Spring Night Series, held at Starwest Motocross Park.

The new-and-improved Starwest facility went through a recent face lift after track promoter Ron Henrickson took over controlling interest in the facility.

"We made a more user-friendly track here at Starwest," Henrickson said. "We made the track longer and better, and totally revamped our Pee Wee course to suit both experienced and non-experienced riders."

Simon was competing in his first race (locally) in the older 80cc (12-13) division after his recent birthday, but he didn't seem too concerned, judging by the way he pulled the convincing holeshot in the first moto. Simon battled with some of the older racers from the 14- to 16-year-old group early in the race, but he was able to make a breakaway just after the second lap and he opened up a four-second lead. Back in second place, Nicholas Hensley had a tight race with Donnie Gritton, but Gritton performed more of the jumps and eventually found his way around and into second place. Gritton did make up some of the distance between himself and Simon during the next few laps, but it was a case of too little too late as Simon flicked his Suzuki across the finish line for the victory in front of Gritton, Hensley and Daniel Taft, who had rebounded from a first-turn crash.

Prior to the start of the second moto, a tribute was held for Joe Medina (the father of local mini racer Jason Medina), who had died the night before the event from complications caused by leukemia. Friends and fellow racers joined for a moment of silence and then took a lap around the race track in remembrance of Joe.

Simon picked up where he left off in the first moto with yet another holeshot in the second moto, but this time Gritton gated better and

drafted in behind Simon. Gritton played chase the length of the race and wound up just inches behind Simon after seven laps of close racing. Simon posted the moto and overall victory, while Gritton crossed the line second, in front of Hensley, Taft and Daniel Nelson.

Simon and Gritton were back at it again in the Supermini division later in the night. Simon once again prevailed in both motos, topping Gritton and "Too Tall" Jeff Loop on his FMF/ZLT-backed Yamaha.

Pee Wee World Champion Bruce Rutherford came out to play in the 50cc division and easily rode circles around the competition on his Malcolm Smith/R&D Racing-backed KTM 50. Rutherford topped Brandon Million and high-flying Donnie Kearney in the single-moto Pee Wee main event. Travis Christensen was impressive as he raced away unchallenged in the 60cc (6-8) class. Christensen rode with grace and poise en route to a two-moto win over Charles Pearson, Million, Kalin Goodsite and Roberto Jiron.

Chris Thunderstrom stormed away to a convincing set of moto victories in the always unpredictable 125cc Beginner class. Thunderstrom was impressive, both by the way he made midair passes and by the way he jumped almost every double jump on the racecourse. Thunderstrom topped Suchet Emmanuel and Jason Oliva in one of the largest classes of the night.

Results

Small Track

50 (4-6) STRTR: 1. Gavin Gidcumb (KTM); 2. Brandon Brady (KTM); 3. Kieffer Silva (KTM); 4. Christian Licciardi (KTM); 5. Uriah Machuga (Yam).

50 (7-8) STRTR: 1. John Robles (KTM); 2. Brandon Reyes (KTM); 3. Corey Smith (Yam); 4. Michael Holle (Lem); 5. Gino Steffe (KTM).

50 STK BEG (4-6): 1. Cody Farrar (KTM); 2. Justin Jeffers (KTM); 3. Richard Romero (KTM); 4. Cooper Hall (Lem); 5. Dakota Garner (KTM).

50 STK BEG (7-8): 1. Jake Canada (KTM); 2. Parker Eckman (KTM); 3. Kyle Bateman (KTM); 4. Logan Pickering (KTM); 5. Armando Aguilar (KTM).

50 P/W (4-6): 1. Chad Edwards (Yam); 2. Max Ladieu (Yam); 3. Bryce Stewart (Yam); 4. Billy Brinker (Yam).

50 P/W (7-8): 1. Jonathan Tedder (Yam); 2. Joshua Runyan (Yam).

50 STK A: 1. Danny Gonzalez (KTM); 2. Shawn Hayes (KTM).
 50 STK B: 1. Chapman Fiene (KTM); 2. Johnny Jelderda (KTM); 3. Richard Sterling (KTM); 4. Webb Massey (KTM); 5. Krystal Cramer (KTM).

S/P/W: 1. Kevin Thompson (Lem).

50 MOD A: 1. Shawn Hayes (KTM).

50 MOD B: 1. Chapman Fiene (KTM); 2. Johnny Jelderda (KTM); 3. Webb Massey (KTM); 4. Krystal Cramer (KTM); 5. Kevin Thompson (Lem).

50 MOD BEG (4-6): 1. Xavier Stokes-Arrey (KTM); 2. Cooper Hall (Lem); 3. Cory Sibley (KTM); 4. Dakota Garner (KTM); 5. Cory Herbert (Cob).

50 MOD BEG (7-8): 1. Armando Aguilar (KTM); 2. Ray Obermeyer (Lem); 3. Andrew Iovino (KTM).

60 STRTR: 1. Brad Morris (Kaw); 2. John Haro (Kaw).

Main Track

50 STK: 1. Shawn Hayes (KTM); 2. Webb Massey (KTM); 3. Danny Gonzalez (Cob); 4. Jake Canada (Cob); 5. John Jelderda (KTM).

50 MOD: 1. Bruce Rutherford (KTM); 2. Brandon Million (Cob); 3. Donnie Kearney (KTM); 4. Justin Carmody (Cob); 5. Chapman Fiene (KTM).

S/P/W: 1. Casey Huntley (KTM).



50 (4-6): 1. Alan Jiron (Cob).
 50 (7-8): 1. Bruce Rutherford (KTM); 2. Bradley Huntley (Lem); 3. Donnie Kearney (KTM); 4. Casey Huntley (KTM); 5. Justin Carmody (Cob).
 60 (6-9) BEG: 1. A.J. Sjoström (Kaw); 2. Justin Carmody (Kaw); 3. Christopher Taft (Kaw); 4. Bradley B. (Kaw); 5. George Jeffers (Kaw).
 60 JR (6-8): 1. Travis Christensen (Kaw); 2. Charles Pearson (Kaw); 3. Brandon Million (Kaw); 4. Kalin Goodsite (Kaw); 5. Roberto Jiron (Kaw).
 60 JR (9-11): 1. Mike Alessi (Kaw); 2. Brandon Spencer (Kaw); 3. Tyler Bailey (Kaw); 4. Frankie Iovino (Kaw); 5. Chad Herbert (Kaw).
 80 BEG (0-11): 1. Kenny Clark (Hon); 2. Shawn Osment (Kaw); 3. Keegan Silva (Kaw); 4. Warren Davis (Kaw); 5. Chris Runyan (Kaw).
 80 BEG (12-16): 1. Timothy Beryer (Kaw); 2. Robbie Gatan (Yam); 3. Jeff Vaughn (Hon); 4. Nathan Strong (Hon); 5. Jason Lopez (Kaw).
 80 (0-11): 1. Jarred Browne (Suz); 2. Andrew Petrie (Kaw); 3. Jeff Loop (Yam); 4. Cody Bradbury (Suz); 5. Matt Reineke (Hon).
 80 (12-13): 1. Scott Simon (Suz); 2. Donnie Gritton (Yam); 3. Daniel Taft (Suz); 4. Shane Fox (Yam); 5. Jason Medina (Suz).
 80 (14-16): 1. Nicholas Hensley (Yam); 2. Daniel Nelson (Hon); 3. Richie Cassiano (Yam).
 S/MINI: 1. Scott Simon (Suz); 2. Donnie Gritton (Kaw); 3. Jeff Loop (Hon); 4. Danny Mohr (Kaw); 5. Tony Brasil (Kaw).
 125 BEG: 1. Chris Thunderstrom (Kaw); 2. Suchet Emmanuel (Yam); 3. Jason Oliva (Hon); 4. John Chabot (Yam); 5. Troy Elder (Yam).
 125 NOV: 1. Brit Jackson (Yam); 2. David Sullins (Yam); 3. Adam Bizzo (Kaw); 4. Mike Danielson (Kaw); 5. Kris Lavioe (Yam).
 125 INT: 1. Neil Alonzo (Yam); 2. Josh Moraine (Hon); 3. Tyson Taylor (Hon).
 125 PRO: 1. Danny Carlson (Yam); 2. Pat McMullen (Suz).
 250 BEG: 1. Jim Brown (Yam); 2. Brandon Probert (Hon); 3. Michael Marrin (Yam); 4. Garrett Mathews (Hon); 5. Steve Broussard (Hon).
 250 NOV: 1. Scott Meierhoff (Yam); 2. Chad Walton (Kaw).
 250 INT: 1. Jeremy Van Ryan (Hon).
 250 PRO: 1. Danny Carlson (Yam); 2. Pat McMullen (Suz).
 25+ BEG: 1. Khahn Le (Kaw).
 25+ NOV: 1. John Turner (Suz).
 30+ BEG: 1. Cliff Huxley (Hon); 2. John Million (Kaw).
 30+ NOV: 1. Jim Bradbury (Hon); 2. Chuck Willets (Kaw).
 40+ NOV: 1. David Simmons (Hon).

Schueler sails at Happy Ramblers MX

By Jerry Athey

HANOVER, PA, APR. 26

Diamond Motorsports/Barr's Competition/Diaer-backed Yamaha rider Joseph Schueler charged to the overall wins in the 250cc and Open A classes at round three of the District 7 Expert MX Series, hosted by the Happy Ramblers MC. Schueler, who is District 7's number-two 125cc A and number-four 250cc A rider, also scored the runner-up position in the hotly contested 125cc A class.

The 250cc A class provided some of the most intense action of the day, as National Pro Tom Welch blasted to the first-moto holeshot, flanked by another District 7 National rider, Jason Conlon, both on JT Motorsports-backed Suzukis. Disaster struck in the second turn, however,

when Welch was steamrolled from behind by the blazing pack and went down with several other riders. He eventually re-entered the race, well out of the top 10. Schueler, who witnessed the incident from his top-five start, immediately jumped to the lead, pursued by Jeff Grove, Conlon, Kevin Brodsky and Samuel Forrester. As Schueler and Grove went at it for the lead, Conlon tried to close the five-second gap on the dueling pair. Schueler, looking strong and confident out front, resisted the attack of Grove until the very last lap, when he put his Suzuki into the lead exiting one of the track's many technical jump combinations. Grove blitzed the checkered flag to take the moto win over Schueler, Conlon and Forrester. District 7 Hall of Famer Michael Moore, who was caught up in the early-moto mayhem, charged through the pack to fifth on his Pete's Cycle Kawasaki.

Eager to make up for his seventh-place finish in the first moto, Welch shot into the lead in moto two, followed by Jeff Drury, Grove, Schueler and Moore. As Welch began to extend his lead, Grove moved by the Kawasaki of Drury for second. By the third lap, Schueler and Moore were beginning to charge as the pair also moved by the quick-starting Drury. With Welch solidly out front, Schueler went to work on Grove for the runner-up position, eventually taking the spot when Grove stalled in a tight turn. With just one lap to go and with Welch within striking distance, Schueler made a spirited attempt to close the gap on the flying Suzuki rider. Welch held on for the moto win over Schueler, who took the overall victory and the series points lead with his consistent rides. Grove, Moore and Drury closed out the top four in the moto.

After finishing second to Welch in both 125cc A motos, Schueler took charge of the Open A class with a commanding 1-1 ride aboard a new YZ400F. Brian Sullivan, the district's number-two Open A rider, put his JT Motorsports-backed KTM into the runner-up position, followed by Schueler's younger brother Chris. Yamaha-mounted Jason Palmer and Kawasaki rider Sean Hackley rounded out the top five.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Austin Bixler (KTM); 2. Joseph Massicot Jr. (KTM); 3. Brandon Siebold (KTM); 4. Shawn Welsh (Yam); 5. Ethan Brown (Suz).

50 (7-8): 1. Lowell Spangler (Cob); 2. Brandon Weary (Lem); 3. Kent DuBois (Cob); 4. Matthew Tippin (Cob); 5. Jeffrey Roelke Jr. (KTM).

60 (7-9): 1. Joshua Hines (Kaw); 2. Justin Crawford (Kaw); 3. Tyson Taylor (Hon).

60 (10-11): 1. Derrick Wile (Kaw); 2. Travis Martin (Kaw); 3. Diego Becerra (Kaw); 4. Michael Tippin Jr. (Kaw); 5. Eddie Keller (Kaw).

80 (7-11): 1. Michael Foor (Hon); 2. Chad Myers (Hon); 3. Shawn Dorsey (Kaw); 4. Anthony Soistman (Yam); 5. Derrick Wile (Kaw).

80 (12-13): 1. Derrick Forrester (Kaw); 2. Jedediah Haines (Kaw); 3. Zachary Hill (Hon); 4. Mark Oswald (Kaw); 5. Garry Porter (Hon).

80 (14-15): 1. Zachary Camp (Kaw); 2. Nathan Reitz (Kaw); 3. Francis Jackson (Kaw); 4. Sean Johnson (Suz); 5. Jimmy Harrington (Kaw).

S/MINI: 1. Jedediah Haines (Kaw); 2. Derrick Forrester (Kaw); 3. Zachary Hill (Hon); 4. Anthony Soistman (Yam); 5. Francis Jackson (Yam).

SCHBY: 1. Paul Hines (Hon); 2. Robert Cecil (Kaw); 3. Michael Hoey (Hon); 4. Joseph Robertson (KTM).

CLGBY: 1. Ryan Jones (Hon); 2. Steven Hare (Hon); 3. Joshua Shefler (Yam); 4. Andrew Will (Kaw); 5. Michael Hoffman (Hon).

125 A: 1. Tom Welch (Suz); 2. Joseph Schueler (Yam); 3. Kevin Brodsky Jr. (Yam); 4. Ronald Bean (Hon); 5. Cecil Williams (KTM).

125 B: 1. Ryan Jones (Hon); 2. Charles Hungerford (Kaw); 3. Jeffrey Howell (Hon); 4. Chad Weaver (Hon); 5. Zachary Walter (Kaw).

125 C D-1: 1. Paul Hines (Hon); 2. Robert Cecil (Kaw); 3. Jim Hilly (Hon); 4. Matt Shealer (Yam); 5. Chad Zepp (Suz).

125 C D-2: 1. Wayne Grossnickle (Kaw); 2. Kristopher Shumaker (Hon); 3. Andrew Will (Kaw); 4. Denny Grady (Hon); 5. Ronald White (Kaw).

250 A: 1. Joseph Schueler (Yam); 2. Jeff Grove (Suz); 3. Tom Welch (Suz); 4. Michael Moore (Kaw); 5. Kevin Brodsky Jr. (Yam).

250 B: 1. Billy Sanner (Kaw); 2. Wayne Welsh III (Hon); 3. Chris Wright (Suz); 4. Michael Hoffman (Hon); 5. Charles Hungerford (Hon).

250 C: 1. Jason Heiger (Hon); 2. Gregory Bowers (Kaw); 3. Corey Hormes (Hon); 4. Gregory Newman (Hon); 5. Wayne Smith Jr. (Kaw).

OPEN A: 1. Joseph Schueler (Yam); 2. Brian Sullivan (KTM); 3. Chris Schueler (ATK); 4. Jason Palmer (Yam); 5. Sean Hackley (Kaw).

OPEN B: 1. Robert Kilchenstein (Yam); 2. Richard Shaub (KTM); 3. Barry Miller (Kaw); 4. Gerald Athey Jr. (Hon); 5. Robert Merson (Hon).

25+ A: 1. Tom Welch (Suz); 2. Jeff Grove (Suz); 3. Ted Orr (Suz); 4. Michael Moore (Kaw); 5. Tim Schmelyun (Kaw).

25+ B: 1. Danny Brown (Kaw); 2. Charles Mitchell (Hon); 3. John Gonzales (Hon); 4. Joseph Massicot Sr. (Kaw); 5. Trey Yowell (Kaw).

VET A: 1. Michael Moore (Kaw); 2. Tim Schmelyun (Kaw); 3. Ted Orr (Suz); 4. Taylor Marcell (Kaw); 5. David Bittner (Suz).

VET B: 1. Bert Schuties (Yam); 2. David Von Hagel (KTM); 3. James Vari (Yam); 4. Larry Kelly (Suz); 5. Donnie Mills (Suz).

VET C: 1. Todd Colyer (Hon); 2. Dennis Hollidayoke (Kaw); 3. Craig Monti (Hon); 4. Dave Hayes (KTM); 5. Wayne Grossnickle (Kaw).

SR: 1. Jeffrey Prevost (Suz); 2. William Speleos (Yam); 3. Rick Wenger (Hon); 4. John Kirk (Hon); 5. Tim Titcomb (Kaw).

Bozarth bags Desert 100 H&H

By Tory Briggs

VANTAGE, WA, APR. 4-5

The 28th annual Stumpjumper MC Desert 100 drew thousands, but it was KTM's Rick Bozarth who took the overall win in nearly perfect, dust-free conditions. Sponsored by Oh Boy! Oberto, KTM Sportmotorcycles, Lynnwood Yamaha/KTM, Lake City Honda, I-90 Motorsports, Lynnwood Cycle Barn, Johnson's Honda and a host of others, the event featured a grand prize consisting of a Hawaii trip sponsored by Seattle Cycle Center.

Nearly 1400 riders entered the Family/Ironman/Dual Sport Poker Run on Saturday, and the overall prize went to Desert 100 Novice Andre Sergoyan of Ellensburg, who carded five kings on the family loop. SSC owner Bud Meyers drew the lucky number for the Hawaii trip and Mark Kelly of Clear Lake held the winning ticket.

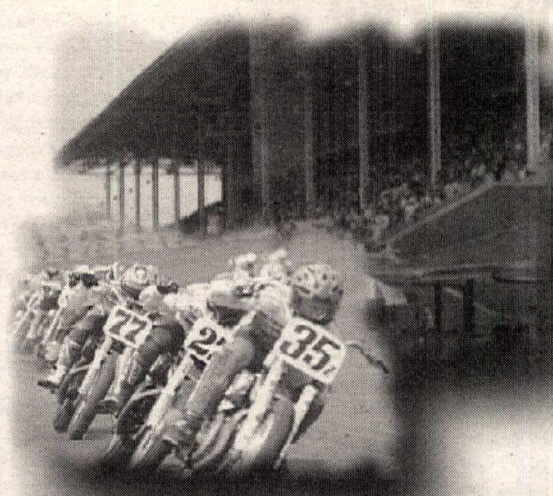
Daylight Savings Time made its annual move Saturday night, robbing competitors of an hour of sleep. It was hilarious watching 57 sets of parents getting Junior to the line for the special youth race at 7:30 a.m. The 8- to 11-year-olds raced first, and Tony Boughton jumped out front immediately. Fast and smooth on his KX80, Boughton styled all the way to the checkers. John Rustin ached the 7-and-under race which followed.

The Desert 100 start dropped the riders across a broad valley, linking up with the single- and often multiple-track trails which made up the course. The course consisted of a 24-mile first loop and two 35-mile loops to the finish. After the start, a lone rider separated from the pack before they even reached the valley, gaining a 20-second advantage after two miles. Bozarth was the man way out front, with another KTM rider, Peter Russell, holding down second. Behind the two, it was like a stampede, with bikes coming over the ridge everywhere.

Bozarth raced 24 miles and sailed through the pits with a 1:20 lead over Russell. Third was Jonah Street, who was whooped after a 14-hour, all-night drive back from the National Hare & Hound in Utah the day before. Street ran as high as second early on, when his IMS XR628 let him break 110 mph and blow by Russell on a long straight.

At the end of the second lap, Bozarth slammed through a ravine, hardly slowing for the bermed right-handed turn that led through the corral gate and into the check. Suddenly, out of the brush flew Russell, clearing the ravine with a 50-foot leap over a daredevil jump just three seconds back. Thirty-five miles to go, and the race was on.

Alas, the two leaders were into lappers so thick that the ability to weave through became more important than overall speed. Bozarth saw



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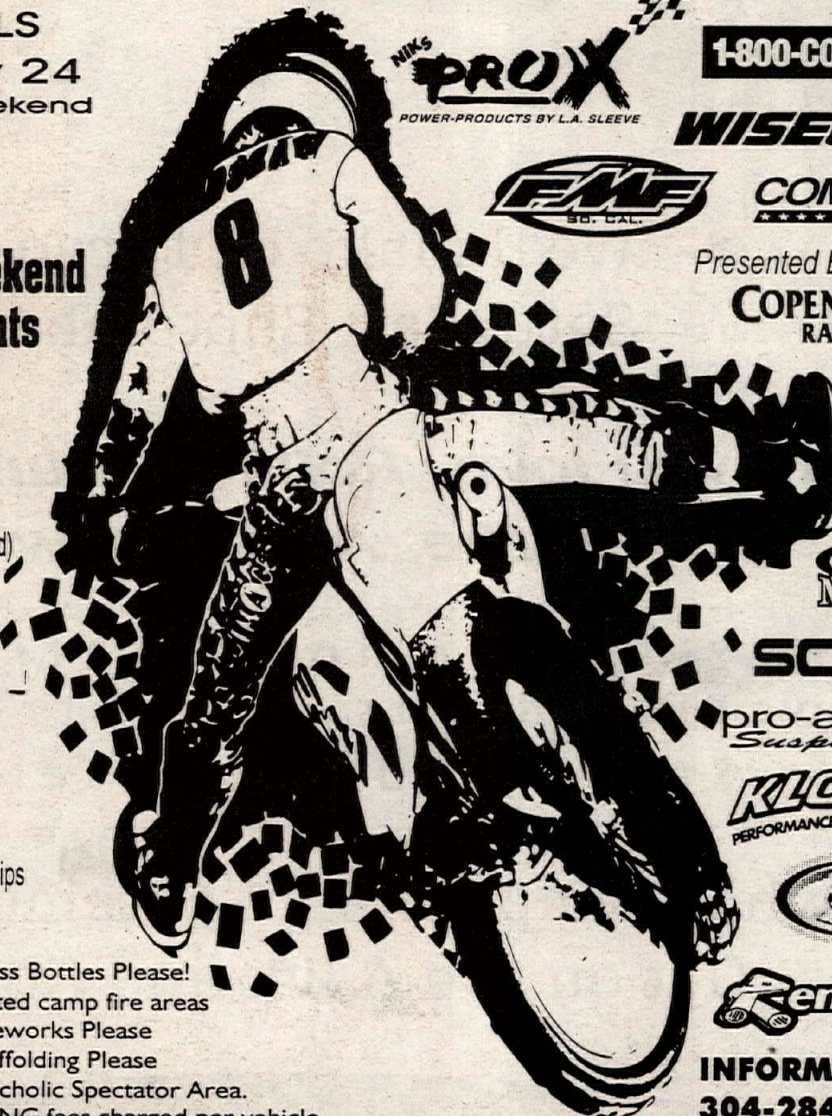
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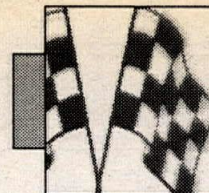
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Russell coming and turned up the wick to take the win with 1:30 to spare.

"I saw Russell had caught me, so I wicked it up and stayed on the gas, trying to ride smart and not throw it away," said Bozarth, who is sponsored by Husqvarna/KTM of Grisham, FMF and MSR. "It was very hard to pass out there in spots as we worked through lappers. I couldn't have done it unless my bike performed flawlessly, which it did."

Russell raced his Dave Russell-backed KTM to second overall but was a little frustrated at the finish. It seems that as the race was winding down, he began to take risks to get by lappers and he ended in a mud pit, which hindered his advance on Bozarth.

Street stayed awake long enough after his grueling weekend to snare third overall and first Four-Stroke on his Johnson's Honda/I-90 Honda/FMF-backed XR. About all he could manage to say was, "I am pretty tired."

Results

O/A: 1. Rick Bozarth (KTM); 2. Peter Russell (KTM); 3. Jonah Street (Hon).
250: 1. Rick Bozarth; 2. Peter Russell; 3. Eric Larson (Yam); 4. Jason Easterling; 5. Larry Oliver.
4-STROKE: 1. Jonah Street; 2. Kelly Hill (Yam); 3. Kelly Butler; 4. Wesley Kruse (Yam); 5. Chris Sullivan (Yam).
200: 1. John Seehorn; 2. Bruce Hill; 3. Greg Fry; 4. Ed Banson; 5. Kevin Parks.
OPEN: 1. Peter Giese; 2. John Frederick; 3. Lonny Kopp; 4. Kirk Reano; 5. John Hess.
O/T (30-39): 1. Peter Treadwell; 2. Mike Schmidt; 3. Scott Vonbarger; 4. Bryan McCulloch; 5. Allen Pyke.
O/T (40-49): 1. Alan Deyo; 2. Kevin Bise; 3. Mike Tobia; 4. Bill Perkins; 5. Tom Anderson.
S/SR: 1. Larry Roestel; 2. John Reid; 3. Gary Dechenne; 4. Gene Frick; 5. Neil Smith.
TEAM: 1. McGoren/Hawley; 2. Birkestol/Birkestol; 3. Hale/Gumby; 4. Fowler/Gibson; 5. Wilder/Weihe.
WMN: 1. Lavon Erickson; 2. Judy Winters; 3. Jessica Briggs; 4. Glo Russo; 5. Michelle Nelson.
0-14: 1. Adam Watts; 2. Mike Koon; 3. Mike Scott; 4. Eric Curnett; 5. Travis Popp.
YTH (0-7): 1. John Rustin; 2. Austin Hoemer; 3. Kenny Pitts; 4. Brandon Gjernes; 5. Brandon Schaffer.
YTH (8-11): 1. Tony Boughton; 2. Paul Neff; 3. Brandon Barker; 4. Ryan Hell; 5. Amanda Binckley.

Hagseth's the man at Washougal Motocross

By Pat Dougherty

WASHOUGAL, WA, MAY 3

On a beautiful day in the Pacific Northwest, with perfect track conditions, Alaska, Washington's Brad Hagseth was perfect as he won all four of his motos in the 125 and 250cc Pro classes. More than 480 riders rode the Washougal National track in another round of the Gold Star series. A large turnout from the Seattle area made for large classes and nearly full gates in many classes!

Grayson Hart out of Portland, Oregon, powered his new Yamaha YZ400F to the front of the 250cc Pro class, ahead of Hagseth, Honda-mounted Paul Wynn, Don Biscaglia (also on a Honda), and Ron Tapia out of Bonney Lake, Washington. Hagseth and Wynn freight-trained around Hart and stretched out a lead, with Hagseth riding very loosely. Jason Mathews, also on a four-stroke Yamaha, displaced Tapia to get into the top five. Wynn tried to position himself to be able to make a last-lap move on the leader, Hagseth, but a slip-up in the whoops allowed Hagseth even more breathing room.

Mathews bagged the second-moto holeshot, but Wynn and Hagseth pushed and elbowed by him in the new infield section of the track and led up the hill. Meanwhile, Hart also passed Mathews to reach third, and Hagseth put his head down and charged to the rear fender of Wynn. Russell Chace, on a Yamaha, raced up to fifth place, followed by Tom York out of Port Orchard, Washington. Blitzing through the tough whoop section, Hagseth outdragged Wynn for the lead. Hagseth's National number 95 is well-deserved, as he clicked off the fastest lap times of the day. Wynn hung on for second, with Hart holding on for third.

The 250cc Intermediate class saw Jason Parks pounding his Yamaha four-stroke ahead of Nick Foister on a Kawasaki and Yamaha-mounted Bret Cahors. Parks was large and in charge all day as he effortlessly cleared the triple into the Hillsboro Hoops from the inside line every time.

Another stellar performance on the day was turned in by one of the fastest amateurs in the country, based on his results at the World Mini Grand Prix in Las Vegas a couple of weeks ago: Mike Corder, out of Longview, Washington. Corder kept his Kawasakis at the front of every moto he raced. However, the last moto of the day didn't include him.

"My clutch went out," Longview said. "When I try to pull, there's nothing there!"

That was an early birthday present for Garrett Carter and Mike Scheel, who battled in both motos. Scheel gathered his share of holeshots

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but Carter showed more speed at the end to garner the win.

Yet another standout was also a champion at the Las Vegas event: KTM 60 pilot Josh Hill, who spanked everybody in the 60cc (7-8) division.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Tevin Tapia (KTM); 2. Tommy Weeck (KTM); 3. Stefan Wilde (KTM); 4. Noah Bailey (KTM); 5. Zachary Cook (KTM).

50 (4-6) OIL: 1. Ben Baldasano (Suz); 2. Kyle Smith (Yam); 50 (7-8): 1. Tyler Villopoto (KTM); 2. Jacob Kannada (Cob); 3. Ryan Journey (KTM); 4. Jerrod Southard (Lem).

60 (7-8): 1. Joshua Hill (KTM); 2. Daniel Levy (Kaw); 3. Shawn Haberlock (Kaw); 4. Walker Wilkerson (Kaw); 5. Brett Osaka (Kaw).

60 (9-11): 1. Tate Major (Kaw); 2. Bryar Perry (Kaw); 3. Richard Dietrich (Kaw); 4. Ryan Villopoto (Kaw); 5. Ajay Olinger (Kaw).

80 (12-13): 1. Tyler Fick (Kaw); 2. Kyle Harris (Yam); 3. Kiel Krogstad (Kaw); 4. Chris Holm (Yam); 5. Jack Hoobler (Hon).

80 (14-15): 1. Anthony Rudolph (Yam); 2. Keith Kadell (Hon); 3. Kenny Lierman (Yam); 4. Matt Charron (Yam); 5. Ryan Ennis (Yam).

80 (7-11): 1. Justin Keeney (Kaw); 2. Adam Metzler (Suz); 3. Ross Johnson (Kaw); 4. Todd Nelson (Kaw); 5. Tate Major (Kaw).

80 D: 1. Jason Fitzgerald (Hon); 2. Joe Loisselle (Kaw); 3. Alex Wirkus (Kaw); 4. William Haagenon (Hon); 5. Aaron Gallington (Hon).

125 A: 1. Brad Hagseth (Yam); 2. Shawn Waring (Yam); 3. Brian Downing (Hon); 4. Russell Chace (Yam); 5. Russ Robbins (Yam).

125 B: 1. Mike Corder (Kaw); 2. Tracy Johnson (Yam); 3. Michael Scheel (Yam); 4. Brett Cahors (Yam); 5. Josh Bailey (Hon).

125 C: 1. Matthew Vernoy (Kaw); 2. Dale Ainslie (Kaw); 3. Tyson Blood (Suz); 4. Steven Salmon (Hon); 5. Robert Montgomery (Hon).

125 D D-1: 1. Brandon Thomas (Hon); 2. Dylan Guyll (Hon); 3. Pat Michielli (Hon); 4. Brian Ericson (Hon); 5. Bryan Broersha (Suz).

125 D D-2: 1. Kevin Stevens (Suz); 2. Sean Sparkman (Yam); 3. Kyle Falls (Hon); 4. Brian Green (Hon); 5. Robby McCabe (Kaw).

250 A: 1. Brad Hagseth (Yam); 2. Paul Winn (Hon); 3. Grayson Hart (Yam); 4. Don Biscaglia (Hon); 5. Tom York (Yam).

250 B: 1. Jason Parks (Yam); 2. Nick Foister (Kaw); 3. Brett Cahors (Yam); 4. Scott Watson (Yam); 5. Jesse Allen (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Matthew Vernoy (Kaw); 2. James Dickman (Hon); 3. Ryan Metzler (Suz); 4. Kaz Wirkus (KTM); 5. Chris Nelson (Hon).

250 D: 1. John McLaughlin (Hon); 2. Randy Hindman (Yam); 3. Jeff Botevfuhr (Kaw); 4. Pat Michielli (Hon); 5. Mark Buzie (Hon).

BTH D: 1. Brian Green (Hon); 2. Jesse Walz (Hon); 3. Robby McCabe (Kaw); 4. Brody Fry (Hon); 5. Sean Sparkman (Yam).

BTH SPTSMN: 1. Garhett Carter (Yam); 2. Michael Scheel (Yam); 3. Tracy Johnson (Yam); 4. Michael Smith (KTM); 5. Josh J. Bailey (Hon).

25+ B/C: 1. Paul Winn (Hon); 2. John Sabo (KTM); 3. Ted Harry (Kaw); 4. Jay Jackson (Yam); 5. Philip Johnson (Kaw).

25+ D: 1. Marcus Dahl (Kaw); 2. Judson Wildman (Hon); 3. Troy Watson (Suz); 4. Alan Arlin (Yam); 5. Kort Bowerman (Hon).

30+ A: 1. Grayson Hart (Yam); 2. Ted Harry (Kaw); 3. Jay Jackson (Yam); 4. Darryl Zumstein (Hon).

30+ B: 1. Patrick Dougherty (Suz); 2. Ted Devol (Hon); 3. Doug Gravelle (Kaw); 4. Mark Walsh (Kaw); 5. Dan Villopoto (Yam).

30+ C: 1. Mark Winn (Kaw); 2. James Dickman (Hon); 3. Tony McFarland (Yam); 4. Pete Stevens (Hon); 5. Jason Rawlins (Kaw).

40+ B: 1. Darryl Zumstein (Hon); 2. Dave Eakin (Hon); 3. Jerry Ebert (Kaw); 4. Mark Ennis (Hon); 5. Dave Merklin (Suz).

40+ C: 1. Allen Stafford (Suz); 2. Dennis McAtee (Hon); 3. Michael Schwerzler (Kaw); 4. Brian Bertsch (Hon); 5. Jeffrey Kissinger (KTM).

40+ D: 1. Wesley Hitchcock (Hon); 2. Donald Owen (Hon); 3. Mark Studebaker (Yam); 4. Michael Morris (KTM); 5. Terry Christianson (Kaw).

OPEN B/C: 1. Chad Brown (Yam); 2. Jason Parks (Yam); 3. Michael Smith (KTM); 4. Scott Holas (Hon); 5. Dan Villopoto (Yam).

OPEN D: 1. Scott Buschke (Hon); 2. Jeff Klein (Hon); 3. Michael Stevenson (Yam); 4. Greg Smith (Yam); 5. Jeffrey Kissinger (KTM).

S/MINI: 1. Kiel Krogstad (Kaw); 2. Keith Kadell (Hon); 3. Tyler Fick (Kaw); 4. Kyle Versteeg (Yam); 5. Anthony Rudolph (Yam).

WMN B/C: 1. Traci Fleming (Yam); 2. Kimberli Urquhart (Yam); 3. Joni Biscaglia (Suz); 4. Debi Kirk (Yam); 5. Breeanna Versteeg (Hon).

SACRAMENTO, CA, APR. 24

Kyle Kenworthy scored a decisive victory, claiming the overall win in the 250cc Beginner class at round one of KB Racing's Spring Series, sponsored by the Racers Pit Shop, Carmichael Honda and MC Concepts of Loomis. Round one of the five-race series kicked off with a bang as the spectators were treated to full gates and hot action in all classes.

Kenworthy, riding out of nearby Placerville, gated well in moto one and led the charge through the first turn, with some heavy pressure from Carmichael Honda-sponsored riders Bill Collins and Josh White, Stanford Ranch McDonalds-sponsored Chris Leebeck and Honda-mounted Kurt Lindquist. The riders struggled for position over the next couple of laps, with White dropping off the pace and out of the top five early on. Kenworthy and Collins battled for the lead and held the one-two spots in that order through the fourth lap. The rider on the move was Betschel Racing's Damon Letcher. Letcher gated poorly and completed the first lap in eighth. By the end of lap four, he had pushed his Honda up to fourth. The big action of the moto happened on the final lap as Collins was finally able to get past Kenworthy's Yamaha to take the checkers first. Leebeck improved from his fourth-place first lap with a third, and Holeshot Moto Accessories' Chad Ristrom took fourth.

Kenworthy proves worthy at KB SX

By Bret Eckert

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Rounding out the top five was Pete Mufich, as Letcher bailed on the final lap, remounting to finish seventh.

Moto two looked to be a repeat of the first as Kenworthy grabbed another of his patented holeshots and showed the rest of the class where to go. Surprising everyone with front-of-the-pack starts were Ristrom in second, Letcher in third and hard-riding Jake Mies in fourth. Collins had some serious difficulties and finished the first lap way back in 12th. It didn't take long for the action to begin as fifth-placed Lindquist rocketed to third after two laps. Mies began the big plunge, falling off the pace and out of contention. Kenworthy and Ristrom freight-trained around the challenging circuit, with neither rider giving an inch. Collins rode like a madman, picking off two or three racers per lap. Kenworthy finished strong, maintaining the lead to the checkered flag. Ristrom came across firmly in second as Letcher stayed just out of contention in third. Collins ran out of laps and settled for fourth, just ahead of Lindquist.

Kenworthy's 2-1 finishes left no doubt as to who was the most consistent rider of the night as he took his first overall win at KB Racing Supercross. Collins' 1-5 placings earned second over Ristrom's 4-2. With four rounds remaining in the premier Northern California Motocross Series, expect more heated action in the upcoming weeks.

Results

50 P/W JR: 1. Ryan Shepard (Yam); 2. Lucas Alvarez (Hon); 3. Michael Foster (Yam); 4. Preston Myers (Suz); 5. Sean Benfield (Yam).

50 BEG (4-6): 1. Joshua Greco (KTM); 2. Cody Lambott (Lem); 3. Ian Murray (KTM); 4. Joshua McPherson (KTM); 5. Aaron Alvis (KTM).

50 BEG (7-9): 1. Ricky Adams (KTM); 2. Tyler Gowdy (Lem); 3. Mason Womack (Lem); 4. Dylan Ney (KTM); 5. Kody Onnala (Lem).

50 NOV (7-9): 1. Matt Spencer (KTM); 2. Kramer Patterson (Lem); 3. Jimmy Breneisen (Lem); 4. Michael Curci (KTM); 5. Scotty Craven (KTM).

60 BEG: 1. Matt Spencer (Kaw); 2. Eric Byfield (Kaw); 3. Stenson Womack (Kaw); 4. Kevin Byfield (Kaw); 5. Beau Weigand (Kaw).

60 NOV: 1. Kyle Parino (Kaw); 2. Rocco Curci (Kaw); 3. Tony Lavezzo (Kaw).

80 BEG (8-12): 1. Jacob Challburg (Kaw); 2. Thomas Bushey (Kaw); 3. Tony Lavezzo (Kaw); 4. Kyle Parino (Hon); 5. Allen Kenyon (Suz).

80 BEG (13-16): 1. Blake Kelly (Yam); 2. Chad Laughlin (Hon); 3. Carson Meyer (Yam); 4. Michael Carnes (Yam); 5. Danny Harris (Kaw).

80 NOV: 1. Chad Stephens (Yam); 2. Adam Kowalczyk (Suz); 3. A.J. Perez (Suz); 4. Mark Hall (Suz); 5. Mike Matson (Suz).

125 SCHBY BEG: 1. Cassidy Stafford (Suz); 2. Casey Ahrens (Yam); 3. Chris Van Meter (Yam); 4. Josh Jenkins (Yam); 5. Greg Nolen (Suz).

125 SCHBY NOV: 1. Scott Stetler (Kaw); 2. Bobby Meyer (Yam); 3. Kyle Marsalla (Kaw); 4. Nate Williams (Suz).

125 SCHBY INT: 1. Jesse Dawson (Kaw).

125 BEG: 1. Derek Cole (Suz); 2. John Goodly (Yam); 3. Mike Yacovelli (Kaw); 4. Casey Ahrens (Yam); 5. Jim Brooks (Hon).

125 NOV: 1. Ben Weisenberg (Yam); 2. Curtis Tackley (Kaw); 3. Derek Carlson (Suz); 4. Pernell Gutierrez (Suz); 5. Joel Cota (Suz).

125 INT: 1. Jesse Dawson (Kaw).

250 BEG D-1: 1. Jon Keller (Yam); 2. Cary Hegna (Kaw); 3. Louis Webb (Hon); 4. Ross Robertson (Yam); 5. Josh Carney (Yam).

250 BEG D-2: 1. Kyle Kenworthy (Yam); 2. Bill Collins (Hon); 3. Chad Ristrom (Hon); 4. Damon Letcher (Hon); 5. Chris Leebeck (Hon).

250 NOV: 1. Waylon Hall (Suz); 2. Matt King (Hon); 3. Steve Thinger (Hon); 4. Matt Talbot (Yam); 5. Cody Landers (Yam).

PRO-AM: 1. Scott Davis (Suz); 2. Jake Windham (Suz); 3. Jesse Dawson (Kaw); 4. Shawn Freiling (Kaw); 5. Dave Lodermeier (Suz).

25+ BEG: 1. Brett Flory (Suz); 2. Russ Oroszi (Kaw); 3. Cary Hegna (Kaw); 4. Philip Haupt (Suz); 5. Troy Alarez (Hon).

25+ NOV: 1. Matt King (Kaw); 2. Alex Challew (Yam); 3. Steve Thinger (Hon); 4. Ron Mies (Kaw); 5. Scott Storer (Hon).

25+ EX: 1. Shawn Freiling (Kaw).

VET BEG: 1. Bill Collins (Hon); 2. Brian Purcell (Hon); 3. Jon Keller (Yam); 4. Louis Webb (Hon); 5. Frederic Letellier (Hon).

VET NOV: 1. Scott Storer (Hon); 2. Brett Flory (Suz); 3. Alex Challew (Yam); 4. Bob Hicks (Hon); 5. Bob Mitchell (Hon).

VET EX: 1. Shawn Freiling (Kaw).

O/T BEG: 1. Bill Budd (Yam); 2. Kim Darwazeh (Suz); 3. Stuart Nelson (Hon); 4. Randy Newton (Kaw); 5. Dan Ristrom (Yam).

O/T NOV: 1. Jim Breneisen (Hon); 2. Steve Bacchini (Kaw); 3. John Towner (Hon).

Podium swells with Norells at AHRMA Motocross

By J.W. Carver

PIRU, CA, APR. 19

It was like "Father-Son" day at the second annual Lemon Grove AHRMA Vintage Motocross event, as dad Ron Norell took the Over 50 class and son Torey Norell grabbed the Sportsman 125cc trophy.

The junior Norell, sponsored by Norell Tool, rode his Elsinore against a pack of screaming 125s, which included Yamahas, Can-Ams and even one Hodaka, ridden by Russell Heek. However, neither Super Rat-mounted Heek nor the other novice riders were a match for Norell on his Honda as he grabbed the holeshot in both motos. Even the Brothers Hotshoe, Jamie and Joel Hanson, could not maintain contact as Norell moved to the front and never looked back. Michael Conley, on another Elsinore, gave a credible chase but could only earn the number-two spot in each moto for a second overall.

Things were nowhere near as easy for the elder Norell, who was also riding an Elsinore, albeit the 250cc version. In moto one, Ron Norell, sponsored by (who else?) Norell Tool, left the starting gate dead last. He had to chase down Don Wood, on a Cycle Parts West Elsinore 250, who gave up the lead on lap three. The two riders jumped the famous Lemon Grove concrete culvert tunnel (also known as "The Wall") together and ran the short uphill chute to the two-line, left-handed sweeper heading into the back straight. Norell took the high outside line, while Wood looked to block on the inside, but the move did not hold up and Norell blasted out of the turn past Wood, never to relinquish the lead.

The same battle shaped up in moto two, but this time Wood would not go quietly. He took the lead into lap two, only to be passed at the same turn which had proved to be his nemesis in moto one. But on lap three, Wood showed that he is not too old to still learn a new trick: He used Norell's technique in the same turn to pass him back and regain the lead. By midmoto it was clear that Norell was losing rear braking power going into the turns, but this only seemed to provide a challenge to overcome as he switched exclusively to outside lines to maintain controlled momentum through each turn. On lap four, Norell put it to Wood again in the left-handed sweeper turn, only to lose the lead at the same place once again on the next lap. On the final loop, Norell got by Wood yet again to take the checkered. Once in the pits, Norell showed off his rear-brake rod sans adjustment nut while telling all those within earshot that he was prepared to take on all comers in a "Father-Son" team race at future vintage motocrosses.

As usual, the Lemon Grove crew had designed a clever track layout which implemented two bridges in order to take maximum advantage of the track's back-and-forth sweep



(Above) Grayson Hart (72) won three classes at the championship round of the Vintage Motocross Series, held in Woodland, Washington.

(Left) Dennis Middleton (58p) won the Over 50 Expert division and Don Wood (46n) took a close second in the Over 50 Novice class at an AHRMA Vintage MX held at Lemon Grove in Piru, California.

across the steep hillside terrain. Well-coordinated races run under picture-perfect skies with the beautiful backdrop of the Santa Paula Valley made for an excellent day of vintage motocross for all, with the possible exception of Ed Sims, who suffered a serious get-off from his titanium-spoked, super-trick Elsinore 250. Sims crunched his femur in several places. Waving off assistance from the ambulance crew so racing could go on, Sims, a practicing dentist, had his buddy Richard McCormick drive him to the hospital. Once there, Sims asked for laughing gas and demanded that if any metal parts were to be inserted, they be pure titanium. The doctors, however, opted for strength over lightness and finished the bottom-end job by equipping Sims' leg with a shiny new stainless-steel rod.

Results

30+ EX: 1. Richard Venegas (Hon).

30+ INT: 1. Brian Greene (Hon); 2. Ed Tashjian (CZ); 3. Eric Harrison (Hon); 4. Mike Schulhoff (Hon); 5. Eric Cook (Mai).

30+ NOV: 1. Jeff O'Brien (Bul); 2. J.W. Carver (CZ); 3. Dave Lucky (Mai); 4. Don McGregor (Pen); 5. Chris Frei (Hon).

40+ EX: 1. Rick Doughty; 2. Randy Lewis (Oss); 3. David Fisher (Hus); 4. Ed Sims (Hon); 5. Ken Greene (CZ).

40+ INT: 1. Tom Barnett (Hon); 2. Vic Curti (Oss); 3. Randi Perkins (Hon); 4. Stuart Lilly (Bul); 5. Lloyd Boland (CZ).

40+ NOV: 1. Craig Anderson (Yam); 2. Jeff O'Brien (Bul); 3. Larry Good (KTM); 4. J.W. Carver (CZ); 5. Rob Hill (Hus).

50+ EX: 1. Dennis Middleton (CZ).

50+ INT: 1. Chuck Deran (Yam); 2. Dennis Tooman (Hon).

50+ NOV: 1. Ron Norell (Hon); 2. Don Wood (Hon).

60+ EX: 1. John Rice (Gre).

60+ INT: 1. Doug Archibald (Hus).

60+ NOV: 1. Norm Blackmer (Kaw).

CLSSC 500 EX: 1. Charlie Beck (Mai); 2. Clark Coleman (Mat).

CLSSC 500 INT: 1. W.C. Quick (Duc).

CLSSC 500 NOV: 1. Jeff Tulinus (BSA); 2. Jerry Sterrett (BSA); 3. Phil Benedict (BSA).

CLSSC 250 INT: 1. Robert Norman (Bul).

CLSSC 250 NOV: 1. Bill Samstag (Gre).

CLSSC 125 EX: 1. Norm Bigelow (Bul); 2. Mark Arsenault (Hus); 3. Ken Greene (DKW).

CLSSC 125 INT: 1. Lee Fabry (Hod); 2. Kevin Blatey (Zun); 3. Jeff Snyder (Hus).

CLSSC 125 NOV: 1. Don McGregor (Pen); 2. Pat Knopp (Bul); 3. Craig Leonhardt (Mon).

PREM 500 INT: 1. Mic Rodgers (BSA); 2. David Braetwar (Mat); 3. Gilles Vaillancott (BSA).

PREM OPEN TW INT: 1. Verne Elmore (Tri).

PREM L/W INT: 1. Len Anderson (BSA).

PREM L/W NOV: 1. Bill Samstag (Gre); 2. Phil Benedict (BSA).

SPTSMTN OPEN TW EX: 1. Tim Henry (Tri).

SPTSMTN OPEN TW INT: 1. Verne Elmore (Tri).

SPTSMTN 500 EX: 1. John LeFevre (Hus); 2. Charlie Richardson (CZ); 3. Bobby Langin (Hon).

SPTSMTN 500 INT: 1. Gary Egloff (Mai); 2. Rich Yelkin (Hus); 3. Lloyd Boland (CZ); 4. Stuart Lilly (Bul); 5. Eric Lawson (Hus).

SPTSMTN 500 NOV: 1. Lucky Locke (Hus); 2. Brian Grade (Hus); 3. J.W. Carver (CZ).

SPTSMTN 250 EX: 1. Randy Lewis (Oss); 2. Ed Sims (Hon).

SPTSMTN 250 INT: 1. Tom Barnett (Hon); 2. Erik Smallwood (Hus); 3. Byron Greene (Hon); 4. Dale Brosky (Hon); 5. Vic Curti (Oss).

SPTSMTN 250 NOV: 1. Joel Hanson (Hus); 2. Larry Good (KTM); 3. Chris Frei (Hon).

SPTSMTN 125 EX: 1. Richard Venegas (Hon); 2. John Lundgren (Bul); 3. Mark Arsenault (Hus).

SPTSMTN 125 INT: 1. Steve Adams (Hon); 2. Eric Harrison (Kaw); 3. Jeff Snyder (Hus).

SPTSMTN 125 NOV: 1. Torey Norell (Hon); 2. Michael Conley (Hon); 3. Jamie Hanson (C-A); 4. Joel Hanson (Hon); 5. Russell Heek (Hod).

EVO EX: 1. Rick Doughty (Mai); 2. Charlie Richardson (Yam); 3. Rich Smith (Mai).

EVO INT: 1. Steven Gordon (Mai); 2. Birk Freeman (Mai); 3. Eric Cook (Mai).

EVO NOV: 1. Eric Larson (Yam); 2. Brian Grade (Hon).

Hart triples at Woodland MX finale

By Clay Light

WOODLAND, WA, MAY 2

In only his second appearance of the 1997-98 Vintage/Evolution Motocross Series, Grayson Hart rode much the same as he did at the season

opener back in October, netting three class wins at the Championship round of the Vintage Dirt-sanctioned Vintage Motocross, held at the Woodland Motocross Park.

Hart, fresh off of the AMA Sound of Thunder Four-Stroke National Motocross Series, won the 250cc and Over 30 Vintage classes, finalizing his decimation of the day's program with a win in the 250cc Evolution Expert class - all coming with 1-1 sweeps. Hart's Evo win came after a brief confrontation with Joe Casey in moto one. However, the former National number 72 plate holder won by a large margin in moto two, beating Casey and Yamaha rider Mike Alf.

Ron Fish, riding a 1974 Yamaha YZ360, stayed close to Hart in the first Over 30 Expert-class moto but, despite the two playing follow-the-leader in moto one, Hart got serious in moto two, this time leaving the competition in the dust. Fish stayed close enough to Hart's potent 1974 Honda CR250 to net second overall, ahead of newcomer John Persic, the third-place Expert rider. Maico rider Neil Geirsen took control of the Intermediate portion with 1-1 performances, beating Keith Webster and Christopher James for top honors.

Hart's 250cc Expert-class win was also in runaway fashion. Casey, also Honda-mounted, ran second to Hart in both motos. Chris Clark and Casey waged one of the day's best battles, but it ended prematurely in moto two after Clark crashed, and Persic inherited the position to the finish. Persic's second-place finish was good for third overall behind Hart and Casey, but ahead of Clark and Montesa VR-mounted Adrian Moelker.

In the combined Intermediate class, Randy Brown, riding a 1974 Yamaha YZ250, took both motos for the overall win. That's where the consistency ended, though, as Powroll's Scott Fisher, aboard a Honda four-stroke, used a 5-2 tally to garner second, ahead of Honda-mounted Dale Franklin.

For the past several years, promoters Monty and Ann Price have brought vintage motocross to a new level in the Northwest; as a rider, Monty won the combined Evolution Four-Stroke class. Intermediates Mark Studebaker and Kenny McCann battled back and forth behind Price, with Studebaker taking a class win over McCann and Roger Warner, winner of the Amateur portion.

Yamaha rider Darrell Kilgore grabbed a win in the Open Vintage Amateur class, motoring away with a 3-1 tally to top CZ riders Reid Saario and Jim McFarland.

Results

XR 75: 1. John Trudeau; 2. Alex Saario; 3. Zane Zigler; 4. Brandon Vulysteke; 5. Lea Eichel.

PRE-1970 AM: 1. Chuck Bradford (BSA); 2. John Laughlin (Duc); 3. Ed Parsons.

PRE-1970 INT: 1. Steve Sprague (Bul); 2. Tommy McFarland (Bul).

PRE-1970 EX: 1. Gene Boere (Tri); 2. Dirk Murphy (Oss).

WMN AM: 1. Ava Casey (Hon); 2. Nicole Sprague (Hon); 3. Valerie Ulver (Yam); 4. Ann Price (AMF).

WMN INT: 1. Luann Swisher (Hon).

WMN EVO: 1. Lana Ingham (Yam); 2. Shelley Trudeau (C-A); 3. Chris Poitras (Hon); 2. Steve Kauffman (Hod); 5. Ava Casey (Hon); 4. Mike Taylor (Suz); 5. Jeff Gleason (Bul).

125 INT: 1. John Marcotte (Hon); 2. Dane Batty (Kaw); 3. Cody Sprague (Hon).

250 AM: 1. Reid Saario (CZ); 2. Chris Poitras (Hon); 3. David Chappel (Ric); 4. Sean Light (Bul); 5. Luann Swisher (Hon).

250 INT: 1. Randy Brown (Yam); 2. Scott Fisher (Hon); 3. Dale Franklin (Hon); 4. Todd Badham (Hon); 5. John Zigler (Yam).

250 EX: 1. Grayson Hart (Hon); 2. Joe Casey (Hon); 3. John Persic (Hon); 4. Chris Clark (Hon); 5. Adrian Moelker (Mon).

30+ AM: 1. Robert Schulz (Hus); 2. David Chappel (Ric); 3. Mark Stover (Yam); 4. Chad Insel (Hus); 5. Glenn Stover (Yam).

30+ INT: 1. Neil Geirsen (Mai); 2. Keith Webster (Hon); 3. C. James (Yam); 4. Terry Linde (Hon); 5. Reece Dengler (CZ).



(Above) Michael Meadows used consistency to win the 125cc Novice class at the opening round of Full Blown Promotion's Saturday Night Supercross Series, held at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds in Lancaster, California.

30+ EX: 1. Grayson Hart (Hon); 2. Ron Fish (Yam); 3. John Persic (Hon).
 40+ AM: 1. Darrell Kilgore (Yam); 2. Eric Hall (Yam); 3. Tim Trudeau.
 40+ INT: 1. Dana Salsman (Yam); 2. Bill Crager (CZ); 3. Reed Dengler (CZ).
 40+ EX: 1. Larry Legarra (Hon); 2. Dirk Murphy (Oss); 3. Bob Rush (CZ).
 50+ AM: 1. Thomas Gloden (CZ); 2. Bud Abbott (Yam); 3. Bill Schweitzer (Bul).
 50+ INT: 1. Rick Downing (Bul); 2. Maynard Richards (Bul); 3. George Eadie (Yam); 4. Tommy McFarland (Bul).
 50+ EX: 1. Wayne Grimm (Bul).
 60+ AM: 1. Larry Linde; 2. Norm DuVall (Yam).
 60+ INT: 1. Maynard Richards (Hon); 2. George Eadie (Yam).
 OPEN AM: 1. Darrell Kilgore (Yam); 2. Reid Saario (CZ); 3. Jim McFarland (CZ).
 OPEN INT: 1. Neil Giertsen (CZ); 2. Kenny Brynn (CZ); 3. Reece Dengler (CZ).
 OPEN EX: 1. Ron Fish (Yam); 2. Wayne Grimm (Bul).
 4-STRK INT: 1. Scott Fisher (Hon).
 4-STRK EX: 1. Gene Boere (Tri); 2. Larry Legarra (Tri).
 125 EVO AM: 1. Allen Toledo (Hon); 2. Kyle Ingham (Yam); 3. Russ Lynch (Hon).
 250 EVO AM: 1. Mike Bonacini (Kaw); 2. Wayne Ingham (Yam); 3. Walter Welter (Bul).
 250 EVO INT: 1. Bill Brown (Yam).
 250 EVO EX: 1. Grayson Hart (Hon); 2. Joe Casey (Hon); 3. Mike Alf (Yam).
 (0-40) EVO INT: 1. J.R. Neuman (Suz); 2. Kenny McCann (Yam).
 (0-40) EVO EX: 1. Jesse Buckley (Yam).
 40+ INT: 1. Dale Hodson (Mai).
 40+ EX: 1. Jesse Buckley (Yam); 2. Bob Rush (Hon).
 40+ EVO AM: 1. Dale Jacobus (Yam); 2. Mark Legarra (Suz); 3. Jay Tarryan (Yam); 4. Mike Murray (Suz); 5. Steve Kauffman (Bul).
 40+ EVO EX: 1. Jeff Hohnstein (Kaw); 2. Scott McAllister (Bul); 3. Don Kauffman (Suz).
 OPEN EVO AM: 1. Mike Bonacini (Kaw); 2. Kary Krahel (Mai); 3. Travis Murray (Suz); 4. Paul Rosenow (Mai); 5. Alex Schon (Hus).
 OPEN EVO INT: 1. Jay Lael (Mai); 2. Dale Hodson (Mai); 3. C. James (Yam); 4. J. Neuman (Suz); 5. Brian Swisher (Yam).
 OPEN EVO EX: 1. Monty Price (Yam); 2. John Ulver (Yam); 3. Adrian Moelker (Suz).
 4-STRK EVO AM: 1. Roger Warner (Hon); 2. Don Froemling (Yam).
 4-STRK EVO INT: 1. Mark Studebaker (Yam); 2. Kenny McCann (Yam).
 4-STRK EVO EX: 1. Monty Price (Yam).
 U/L AM: 1. Daniel Morgan (Yam).
 U/L EX: 1. Chris Clark (Hon).

Meadows makes out at Lancaster SX

By Greg Robertson

LANCASTER, CA, APR. 25

Michael Meadows walked away the 125cc Novice-class overall winner without winning either moto during the opening round of Full Blown Promotion's Saturday Night Supercross Series, held at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds.

Eric Anderson was untouchable in first-moto action, grabbing the lead on the first circuit of the jump-filled track and never looking back.

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25. 85cc Modified 9-13 yr
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Apr. 4-5	Budds Creek MX, Budds Creek, MD	301 475 2000
Apr. 11-12	Challenger, Indiana, PA	412 726 5494
Apr. 18-19	Broome Tioga, Binghamton, NY	717 222 9290
Apr. 25-26	Birch Creek, Danville, VA	804 724 4392
May 2-3	Frozen Ocean MX, Auburn, NY	315 784 5466
May 16-17	Pleasure Valley, Armaugh, PA	814 536 1845
AMATEUR REGIONAL		
June 27-28	Waldon Playboys, Wallkill, NY	201 934 2907
YOUTH REGIONAL		
June 13-14	Steel City, Delmont, PA	304 284 0084
SOUTHEAST		
Mar. 14-15	Society Hills, Society Hill, SC	423 323 5497
Mar. 15	MX of Marion City, Reddick, FL	352 591 2050
Mar. 21	Pepsi/Air Dania, Dania, FL	CANCELLED
Mar. 28-29	Echeconne MX, Macon, GA	912 788 8227
Apr. 4-5	Devils Ridge, Sanford, NC	919 776 1767
Apr. 11-12	Cathie's Creek, Forest City, NC	704 287 4100
Apr. 18-19	Killpatrick MX, Albertville, AL	205 561 3495
Apr. 25	Thundercross, Okeechobee, FL**NEW**	941 357 2277
May 16-17	Lazy River, Chatsworth, GA	706 278 1620
AMATEUR REGIONAL		
June 13-14	Muddy Creek, Blountville, TN	423 323 5497
YOUTH REGIONAL		
June 20-21	Hillbilly Hills, Roberta, GA	912 788 0413
MIDEAST		
Mar. 21-22	Bluegrass MX Park, Clay City, KY	606 744 5916
Apr. 18-19	Sunday Creek, Millfield, OH	614 797 2413
Apr. 25-26	Daniel Boone MX, London, KY	606 877 1364
May 2-3	American Mtrsp, MacArthur, OH	614 596 2057
May 2-3	Dutch Sport Pk, Bloomingdale, MI	616 683 4418
May 9-10	Baja Acres, Millington, MI	517 871 3356
May 9-10	Trojan Track, N. Webster, IN	219 594 2649
May 16-17	COCR, Sugar Grove, OH	740 983 3937
AMATEUR REGIONAL		
June 20-21	Red Bud MX, Buchanan, MI	616 695 6405
YOUTH REGIONAL		
June 27-28	Midway MX, Mitchell, IN	812 849 0023
NORTH CENTRAL		
Mar. 21-22	South Central MX, Salem, IL	618 548 5259
Apr. 11-12	Midwest Mtrsp, Kahoka, MO	816 727 3301
Apr. 18-19	W. KY Motocross, Lowes, KY	502 642 2345
Apr. 25-26	Lincoln Trail, Casey, IL	217 932 2041
May 2-3	Lake Geneva Rcw, Lk Geneva, WI	815 728 0823
May 16-17	Triple R, Nashville, IL	618 327 9879
May 31	Cooperland, Stillwater, OK	405 743 1515
AMATEUR REGIONAL		
June 27-28	Bailey's Motosprt, Hoopston, IL	217 283 6370
YOUTH REGIONAL		
June 20-21	South Central MX, Salem, IL	618 548 5259
SOUTH CENTRAL		
Mar. 29	Swan MX, Tyler, TX	903 882 4215
Apr. 4	Lake Whitney MX, Whitney, TX	254 694 4271
Apr. 19	Cedar Hill MX, Magnolia, AR	870 234 1303
Apr. 25-26	NMCC, Moriarty, NM	505 884 9033
May 10	Greenville MX Pk, Greenville, TX	903 450 0017
May 23-24	Watkins Sports Rcw, Denver, CO	719 473 6723
May 31	Cooperland, Stillwater, OK	405 743 1515
AMATEUR REGIONAL		
June 20-21	Cooperland, Stillwater, OK	405 743 1515
YOUTH REGIONAL		
June 27-28	Highlands MX Pk, Highland, TX	281 843 6686
NORTHWEST		
Apr. 19	Washougal MX, Washougal, WA	541 673 1671
Apr. 26	Clarksbranch, Roseburg, OR	541 673 1671
AMATEUR & YOUTH REGIONALS		
MAY 23-24	Washougal MX, Washougal, WA	541 673 1671
SOUTHWEST		
Mar. 29	Glen Helen, San Bernadino, CA	909 880 3090
Apr. 25-26	NMCC, Moriarty, NM	505 884 9033
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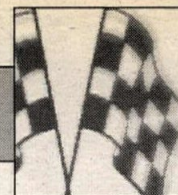
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EVENTS



Gary Terlecki won the 250cc Intermediate and Up The Hill Intermediate classes at the CMC-sanctioned Supercross in Albany, Oregon.

Clyde Adams came from his midpack start to pass Deuce Rutledge with a lap remaining to finish in second. Meadows used a last-lap pass on Kurt Long to nab fourth.

Anderson duplicated his first-moto performance, this time taking the win by an incredible margin. Colin Smith held second early in the moto until Long decided he wanted the position a little more. Meadows gated sixth, but he put a move on Long for second on the last lap, where he would finish. It was discovered that Anderson's huge lead was a direct result of the fact that he left the line with the Intermediates in the preceding gate, and he was disqualified. Meadows was declared the overall winner. Adams went 2-4 for second overall over Long's 5-3.

Bo Williams used a good start to chase down and pass Trevor Winters and Chris Holt for the 125cc Beginner-class first-moto win.

Randy Wareberg, who could only work up to a sixth-place first-moto finish after a 15th-place start, turned things around in the second moto by leading every lap for the win. Williams kept Wareberg in sight to collect the first-place trophy with 1-2 rides. Wareberg ended up third overall behind the 2-3 of Winters.

Other than the first couple of laps of moto two, in which Andreu Labrador led, the 125cc Intermediate class was a Michael Young benefit, as he went 1-1 on his FMF/Samson/Maxima-backed YZ125. Labrador traded runner-up finishes with Chris Tocco for second overall. Turbo Reif and Travis Smith rounded out the top five.

Honda of Troy's future superstar, Casey Lytle, put his National number 33 CR125 into the 125cc Pro-class winner's circle. Doug Parsons took the second-place money, ahead of local rider Jeremy Chaussee and Swedish visitor Espen Blikstad. **CN**

Results

P/W BEG: 1. Dustin Pulliam; 2. Dylan Pemberton (Cob); 3. Douglas Allen (Cob); 4. Ethan Flores (KTM); 5. Dylan Law (Yam).
P/W S/STK (0-6): 1. Blake Baggett; 2. Dustin Pulliam; 3. Cole Pugmire (Lem); 4. Garrick Noble (Cob); 5. Jake Lacey (Act).
P/W S/STK (7-9): 1. Tylor Hemme (KTM); 2. Scott Noble (Cob); 3. Joshua Parkinson; 4. Daniel Kariger; 5. Jake Morrow.
P/W MOD (0-6): 1. Blake Baggett; 2. Garrick Noble (Cob).
P/W MOD (7-8): 1. Tylor Hemme (KTM); 2. Scott Noble (Cob); 3. Kyle Smith (KTM); 4. John Baltas (Cob); 5. Chris Pulliam.
S/P/W: 1. Tylor Hemme (KTM); 2. Kyle Smith (KTM).
P/W 80: 1. Joshua Swafford (Yam); 2. Mike Peck; 3. Nell-shawn Walker; 4. Kevin Lipp (Suz); 5. Marcus Walker.
60 BEG: 1. Jeremy Reddell (Kaw); 2. Nicholas Sanchez (Kaw); 3. Taylor Lacy (Kaw); 4. Kyle Smith; 5. Jake Lacy (Kaw).
60 (0-8): 1. Trent Pugmire (Kaw).
60 (9-11): 1. Ryan Roybal (Kaw); 2. Robert Memoli (Kaw).
80 BEG: 1. Adam Gagg (Yam); 2. Tyson Davis (Kaw); 3. Ryan Tisinger (Kaw); 4. Steve Quinones (Yam); 5. C.J. Machon (Yam).
80 NOV: 1. Ryan Roybal (Hon); 2. Michael Parker (Hon); 3. Cory Redenis (Suz); 4. Kevin Williams (Yam); 5. Rick Hemme (Suz).
PP GRLS: 1. Bonnie Kelly (Yam); 2. Tiffany Smith (Yam); 3. Jennifer Parks (Kaw).
PP WMN: 1. Melissa Billingsley (Yam); 2. Patti Delbu (Kaw); 3. Crystal Pfoertner; 4. Candice Smith (Hon).
125 BEG: 1. Bo Williams (Suz); 2. Trevor Winters (Suz); 3. Randy Wareberg (Suz); 4. C.J. Tisinger (Suz); 5. Chris Holt (Suz).
125 NOV: 1. Michael Meadows (Yam); 2. Kurt Long; 3. Deuce Rutledge (Hon); 4. Chris Elliott (Yam); 5. Colin Smith (Suz).
125 INT: 1. Mike Young (Yam); 2. Andreu Labrador (Yam); 3. Chris Tocco (Yam); 4. Turbo Reif; 5. Travis Smith (Kaw).
125 PRO: 1. Casey Lytle (Hon); 2. Doug Parsons (Yam); 3. Jeremy Chaussee (Kaw); 4. Espen Blikstad (Yam); 5. Chad Wollast-ton (Yam).
250 BEG: 1. Garrett Stines (Hon); 2. Lyle Robertson (Yam); 3. Ryan Perez (Yam); 4. Bo Williams (Hon); 5. Kenny Wright (Kaw).
250 NOV: 1. Roger Holder (Suz); 2. Steve Karsten (Hon); 3. Michael Meadows (Yam); 4. Lance White; 5. Ryan Doty (Yam).
250 PRO: 1. Donald Upton (Suz); 2. Doug Parsons (Yam); 3. Chad Wollaster (Yam); 4. Espen Blikstad (Yam); 5. Tommy Johans-son (Kaw).
VET BEG: 1. Curt Brown (Hon); 2. Tim Damon (Hon); 3. Andy Flum (Yam); 4. Russ Schuider (Hon).
SR BEG: 1. Jack Gilliam (Hon); 2. Larry Hipp (Yam); 3. Rick Parks (Hon).

RESULTS

Motocross		
Sunset Ramblers		
Galion, OH		
April 19		
By Barbara Yontz		
60'		
Craig Thomas	Kaw	
Dustin Booker	Kaw	
Tyler Mosier	Kaw	
MINI SR		
Joseph Lanbe	Kaw	
Joe Otterbacher	Kaw	
125		
Rich Jubak	Yam	
Jared Grabel	Suz	
Adam Smith	Hon	
Toby McWaters	Yam	
Randy Bostic	Hon	
250		
Jeff Thomas	Suz	
Troy Schlereth	Suz	
Jerry Vaaderkooi	Yam	
Ron Kimmel	Hon	
Nick Evans	Yam	
250 2-STRK B		
Aaron Maglott	Hon	
Mike Procker	Hon	
Greg Ramsay	Yam	
Brian Kennard	Yam	
250 4-STRK B		
Heath Maglott	Hon	
Tom McGugan	Hon	
William G. Hall	Hon	
Damon Chamberlain	Hon	
Adam Davis	Hon	
250 OPEN B		
R.T. Lane	Hon	
Mark Colbree	Hon	
Justin Stark	Yam	
Jeremy Stark	Yam	
Troy Easter	Yam	
SR		
Barry Coy	KTM	
Chuck Cotterill	Hon	
Craig Coon	Hon	
Jim Horvath	KTM	
Trevor Hawk	Hon	
O/A A		
Tony Ralston	KTM	
Chad Coon	KTM	
O/A B		
Shawn Feeley	Hon	
Bruce Cox	Hon	
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Devon Adair	Act	
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Chad Cooley	KTM	
Kyle Regal	KTM	
50 SR		
Dominic Izz	Cob	
Brian D Papst	Cob	
Anthony L. Jennings	Cob	
Thomas L. Fisher	Cob	
Cody Lee Davis	Cob	
50 S/SRr		
Steve Daly	Yam	
Matthew R. Adrian	Yam	
Jerry Stoken	Yam	
Austin L. Nelson	Yam	
Turner E. Bradford	Yam	
60		
Grant W. Moreland	Kaw	
Eric S. Miller	Kaw	
Corey Slavik	Kaw	
Kyle Rothgeb	Kaw	
T.J. Auten Jr	Kaw	
80 (7-11)		
Nicholas P. Adams	Kaw	
Grant W. Moreland	Suz	
Jake J. Marsack	Yam	
Kyle Rothgeb	Hon	
T.J. Auten Jr	Kaw	
80 (12-15)		
Nicholas A. Vaughn	Kaw	
Frank Jungnitsch	Suz	
Eric Baird	Suz	
Christopher Whitcraft	Suz	
Robby E. Wheeler	Suz	
80 C		
Nate Larsen	Kaw	
Mitch Sluder	Hon	
Matthew J. Ross	Hon	
David Reed	Hon	
Nathan Barrett	Yam	
125 A		
Kelly D. Smith	KTM	
Randy J. Valade	Kaw	
Nicholas A. Wey	Kaw	
Ryan D. Valade	Suz	
Nathan J. Miller	Hon	
125 B		
Ian D. Hammond	Suz	
Jason M. McDonald	Suz	
Joshua D. Long	Suz	
Jeremy Maul		
Kyle Kohler	Yam	
125 C D-1		
Michael Allen	Hon	
125 C D-2		
Samuel P. Arnold	Hon	
D.J. Greening	Hon	
Charles M. Alling	Hon	
Raymond Medina	Yam	
Corey Urbain	Suz	
125 JR		
Joshua Woods	Kaw	
Ian D. Hammond	Suz	
Joey Dell Sly	Hon	
Zackary Q. Beeke	Yam	
Jeremy Pastor	Suz	
250 OPEN A		
Nicholas A. Wey	Kaw	
Willy Smith	KTM	
Randy J. Valade	Kaw	
Ryan A. Haines	Hon	
Matthew L. Crown	Kaw	
250 OPEN B		
Joshua Woods	Kaw	
Jason M. McDonald	Suz	
Jeremy Maul	Suz	
Michael W. Mercer	Suz	
Joshua D. Long	Suz	
250 OPEN C		
Tim Schocke	Yam	
Michael Robishaw	Kaw	
Bob Bailey	Suz	
Travis L. Fuzi	Hon	
Nathan Scheid	Hon	
16-24		
Nicholas G. McNeely	Suz	
Jeremy D. Hughson	Yam	
Ryan Ross	Hon	
Rex A. Lloyd	Yam	
Dane Grivicic	Yam	
25+		
Matthew L. Crown	Kaw	
Dave Korte	Kaw	
Bob Muga	Kaw	
Gary A. Radzicki	Kaw	
Tommy Kirk	Hon	
30+		
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Edward Hietfje IV	Kaw	
Mark A. Cheza	KTM	
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35+		
Kreg D. Bigelow	KTM	
Scott D. Currie	Hon	
Gary Seibert	Suz	
Frederick Mervau	Kaw	
Shay Fisher	Hon	
40+		
Jeffrey A. Bost	Hon	
Daniel D. Carlton	Suz	
Frank J. Helms	Yam	
Mike A. Teagan	Kaw	
Michael D. Beckwith	Kaw	
50+		
Robert J. Chapman Jr.	Hon	
John Korte	Hon	
Douglas Hilderbrant	Kaw	
Ronald E. Sage	Hon	
Edward Hietfje III		
BMBR		
Brian Forbes	Kaw	
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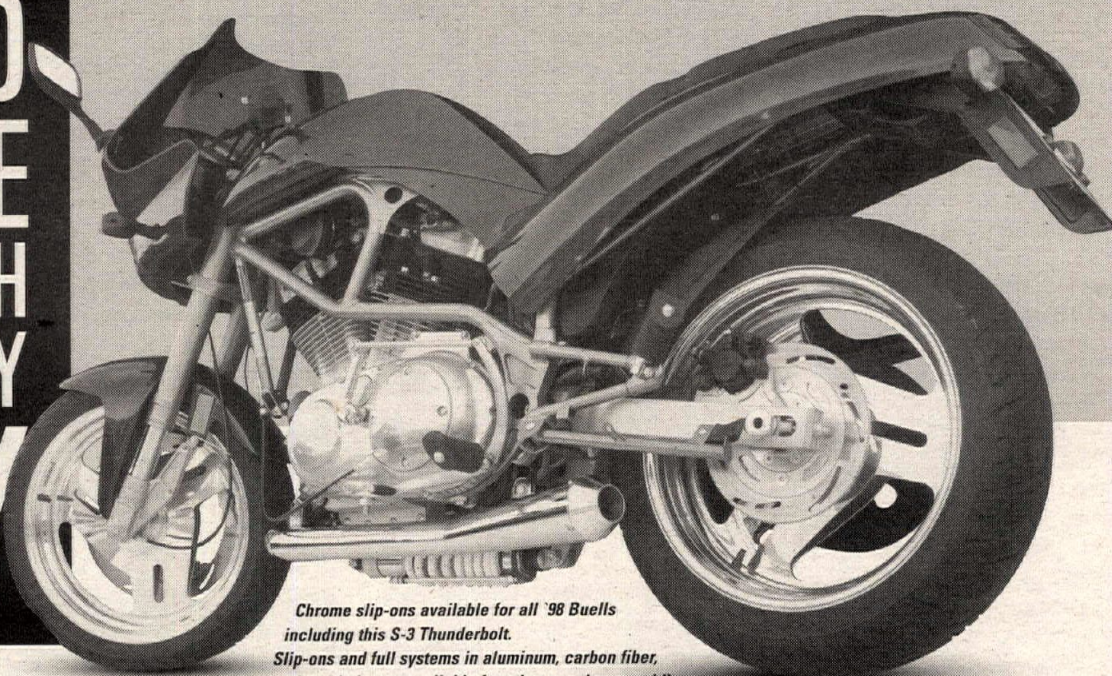
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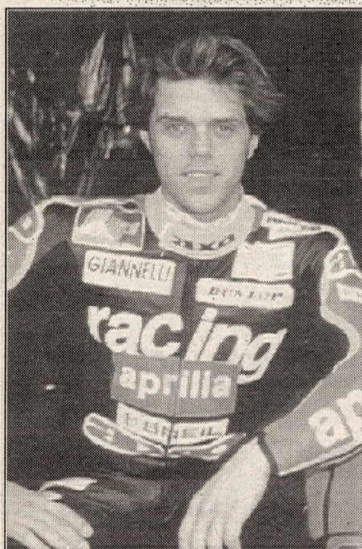
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5. Tadayuki Okada (Hon), Japan (29)
6. Alex Barros (Hon), Brazil (20)
7. John Kocinski (Hon), Modesto, CA (19)
8. Nobuatsu Aoki (Suz), Japan (18)
9. Kenny Roberts Jr. (Mod), Modesto, CA (17)
10. Noriyuki Haga (Yam), Japan (16)

250cc WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 3 of 15 rounds):

1. Loris Capirossi (Apr), Italy (45/1 win)
2. Olivier Jacque (Hon), France (43)
3. Tetsuya Harada (Apr), Japan (38/1 win)
4. Tohru Ukawa (Hon), Japan (33)
5. Haruchika Aoki (Hon), Japan (28)
6. Daijiro Kato (Hon), Japan (25/1 win)
7. Stefano Perugini (Hon), Italy (23)
8. Shinya Nakano (Yam), Japan (20)
9. Valentino Rossi (Apr), Italy (20)
10. Naoki Matsudo (Yam), Japan (16)

125cc WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 3 of 15 rounds):

1. Kazuto Sakata (Apr), Japan (60/2 wins)
2. Tomomi Manako (Hon), Japan (56)
3. Noboru Ueda (Hon), Japan (36/1 win)
4. Mirko Giansanti (Hon), Italy (36)
5. Masao Azuma (Hon), Japan (36)
6. Masaki Tokudome (Apr), Japan (25)
7. Gianluigi Scalvini (Hon), Italy (21)
8. Frederic Petit (Hon), France (19)
9. Lucio Cecchinello (Yam), Japan (17)
10. Angel Nieto Jr. (Apr), Italy (14)

WORLD SUPERBIKE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 3 of 14 rounds):

1. Noriyuki Haga (Yam), Japan (104/3 wins)
2. Troy Corser (Duc), Australia (99)
3. Carl Fogarty (Duc), Britain (96/1 win)
4. Colin Edwards II (Hon), Conroe, TX (87/2 wins)
5. Aaron Slight (Hon), New Zealand (73)
6. Pier-Francesco Chili (Duc), Italy (67)
7. Akira Yanagawa (Kaw), Japan (43)
8. Peter Goddard (Suz), Australia (43)
9. Jamie Whitham (Suz), Great Britain (39)
10. Neil Hodgson (Kaw), Great Britain (34)

AMA/MBNA SUPERBIKE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Mat Mladin (Suz), Australia (150)
2. Doug Chandler (Kaw), Salinas, CA (150)
3. Miguel Duhamel (Hon), Canada (134/3 wins)

4. Ben Bostrom (Hon), Granada Hills, CA (129)
5. Anthony Gobert (Duc), Australia (114/1 win)
6. Tom Kipp (Duc), Chardon, OH (109)
7. Steve Crevier (Suz), Canada (98)
8. Jamie Hacking (Yam), England (96)
9. Richard Oliver (Yam), Fresno, CA (91)
10. Pascal Picotte (H-D), Canada (90)

AMA/PRO HONDA OILS 600cc SUPERSPORT SERIES

(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Miguel Duhamel (Hon), Canada (155/1 win)
2. Steve Crevier (Suz), Canada (140)
3. Doug Chandler (Kaw), Salinas, CA (136/3 wins)
4. Ben Bostrom (Hon), Granada Hills, CA (125)
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6. Steve Rapp (Suz), Lafayette, CA (111)
7. Eric Bostrom (Hon), Granada Hills, CA (109)
8. Jason Pridmore (Suz), Ventura, CA (106)
9. Tommy Hayden (Kaw), Owensboro, KY (100)
10. Kurtis Roberts (Hon), Modesto, CA (90)

AMA/TEAMLINE 750cc SUPERSPORT SERIES

(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Richard Alexander Jr. (Suz), Carmel, NY (147/1 win)
2. James Randolph (Suz), Santa Rosa, CA (139)
3. Steve Rapp (Suz), Lafayette, CA (139)
4. Jason Pridmore (Suz), Ventura, CA (139/2 wins)
5. Dale Keiffer (Suz), Las Vegas, NV (115)
6. Mario Duhamel (Suz), Canada (113)
7. Nicky Hayden (Suz), Owensboro, KY (101/2 wins)
8. Jimmy Moore (Suz), Eugene, OR (92)
9. Paul Harrell (Suz), Canyon Country, CA (91)
10. Mike Sullivan (Suz), Centralia, WA (86)

AMA/ELF FUELS 250cc GRAND PRIX CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Roland Sands (Yam), Long Beach, CA (165/2 wins)
2. Takahito Mori (Hon), Japan (142/1 win)
3. Chuck Sorensen (Yam), Discovery Bay, CA (135/2 wins)
4. Kurtis Roberts (Hon), Turlock, CA (134)
5. Randy Renfrow (Hon), Fredericksburg, VA (103)
6. Geep Terranova (Yam), San Jose, CA (101)
7. Rodney Fee (Hon), Canada (99)
8. Bobby Keith (Hon), Redwood City, CA (92)
9. Al Salaverria (Apr), San Francisco, CA (79)
10. John France (Hon), West Melbourne, FL (75)
- Greg Esser (Yam), Pompano Beach, FL (75)

AMA/PROGRESSIVE INSURANCE PRO THUNDER SERIES

(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Curtis Adams (Tri), Whittier, CA (147/4 wins)
2. Paul Harrell (Tri), Canyon Country, CA (146)
3. Shawn Higbee (Bue), Waterford, WI (137/1 win)
4. Thomas Tucciarone (Duc), San Francisco, CA (116)
5. Michael Gage (Tri), Baldwin Place, NY (108)
6. Craig McClean (Duc), Corte Madera, CA (104)
7. Thomas Hull (Duc), Mesa, AZ (103)
8. James Lickwar (Tri), San Francisco, CA (97)
9. Paul Orlandi (Duc), Grass Valley, CA (96)
10. Mark Miller (Bue), Long Beach, CA (95)

AMA/PIRELLI FORMULA XTREME SERIES

(After 4 of 13 rounds):

1. Tripp Nobles III (Hon), Macon, GA (123/1 win)
2. Eric Bostrom (Hon), Granada Hills, CA (111/3 wins)
3. Michael Taylor (Kaw), Canada (106)
4. Mark Miller (Yam), Long Beach, CA (101)
5. Cory Call (Suz), Sacramento, CA (90)
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(After 3 of 12 rounds):

1. Darryll King (Hus), New Zealand (93/1 win)
2. Joel Smets (Hbg), Belgium (74)
3. Bernd Eckenbach (Hus), Germany (67/1 win)

4. Gert-Jan Van Doorn (Hon), Netherlands (65)
5. Peter Johansson (Yam), Sweden (62)
6. Andrea Bartolini (Yam), Italy (61/1 win)
7. Rob Herring (Hon), England (58)
8. Shayne King (KTM), New Zealand (47)
9. Johan Boonen (KTM), Belgium (45)
10. Rupi Walkner (KTM), Germany (35)

250cc WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 4 of 16 rounds):

1. Stefan Everts (Hon), Belgium (147/3 wins)
2. Sebastien Tortelli (Kaw), France (129/1 win)
3. Pit Beirer (Hon), Germany (97)
4. Tallon Vohland (Yam), Sacramento, CA (80)
5. Joakim Karlsson (Hon), Sweden (64)
6. Werner DeWitt (Suz), Germany (61)
7. Frederic Bolley (Hon), France (58)
8. Mickael Maschio (Yam), Italy (49)
9. Marnicq Bervoets (Suz), Belgium (46)
10. Yves Demaria (Kaw), France (45)

125cc WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 2 of 11 rounds):

1. Alessio Chiodi (Hus), Italy (65/1 win)
2. Alessandro Puzar (TM), Italy (61/1 win)
3. Eric Camerlengo (Yam), Italy (61)
4. Philippe Dupasquier (TM), Italy (35)
5. Luigi Seguy (Hon), France (33)
6. Brian Jorgensen (Suz), Denmark (32)
7. Frederic Vialle (Yam), France (31)
8. David Vuillemin (Yam), France (31)
9. Claudio Federici (Yam), Italy (27)
10. Alessandro Belometti (Yam), Italy (27)

MAZDA/AMA 250cc NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MX SERIES

(Round 1 of 12):

1. Mickael Pichon (Suz), France (41/1 win)
2. Jeremy McGrath (Yam), Canyon Lake, CA (41)
3. Mike LaRocco (Hon), South Bend, IN (40)
4. Larry Ward (Suz), Florence, SC (37)
5. Doug Henry (Yam), Oxford, CT (33)
6. Greg Albertyn (Suz), South Africa (26)
7. Mike Craig (Hon), Lakeside, CA (25)
8. Kevin Windham (Yam), Baton Rouge, LA (25)
9. Kyle Lewis (Suz), Las Vegas, NV (23)
10. Lance Small (KTM), Federal Way, WA (22)
- Doug Dubach (Yam), Tustin, CA (22)



JEREMY McGRATH

MAZDA/AMA 125cc NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MX SERIES

(Round 1 of 12):

1. Ricky Carmichael (Kaw), Havana, FL (50)
2. John Dowd (Yam), Chicopee, MA (44)
3. Jimmy Button (Yam), Scottsdale, AZ (36)
4. Steve Lamson (Hon), Riverside, CA (35)
5. David Pingree (Hon), Menifee, CA (35)
6. Casey Johnson (Kaw), Murrieta, CA (32)
7. Stephane Roncada (Hon), France (25)
8. Nicholas Wey (Kaw), Dewitt, MI (21)
9. Casey Lytle (Hon), Santa Clarita, CA (20)
10. Buddy Antunez (Suz), Moreno Valley, CA (17)

TOYOTA/PARTS UNLIMITED AMA SUPERCROSS SERIES

(After 16 of 16 rounds):

1. Jeremy McGrath (Yam), Canyon Lake, CA (322/7 wins)
2. Ezra Lusk (Hon), Bainbridge, GA (271/4 wins)
3. Larry Ward (Suz), Florence, SC (240/1 win)
4. Kevin Windham (Yam), Baton Rouge, LA (238/2 wins)
5. Mike LaRocco (Hon), South Bend, IN (230)
6. Mickael Pichon (Suz), France (216)
7. Doug Henry (Yam), Oxford, CT (213)
8. Jimmy Button (Yam), Scottsdale, AZ (175)
9. Mike Craig (Hon), Lakeside, CA (174)
10. Ryan Hughes (Kaw), Temecula, CA (159)

AMA EASTERN REGIONAL 125cc SUPERCROSS SERIES

(After 8 of 8 rounds):

1. Ricky Carmichael (Kaw), Havana, FL (200/8 wins)
2. Robbie Reynard (Suz), Norman, OK (143)
3. Brock Sellards (Hon), New Philadelphia, OH (133)
4. Casey Lytle (Hon), Santa Clarita, CA (114)
5. Shae Bentley (Kaw), Ellenwood, GA (86)
6. Tony Lorusso (Suz), East Hartford, CT (78)
7. James Povolny Jr. (KTM), Mendota Heights, MN (70)
8. Jim Neese (KTM), Greensboro, NC (69)
9. Robbie Skaggs (Yam), Lawrence, KS (66)
10. Corey Keeney (Yam), Oakdale, MN (63)

AMA WESTERN REGIONAL 125cc SUPERCROSS SERIES

(After 7 of 7 rounds):

1. John Dowd (Yam), Chicopee, MA (159/3 wins)
2. David Vuillemin (Yam), France (147/3 wins)
3. Stephane Roncada (Hon), France (145/1 win)
4. Nathan Ramsey (Kaw), Hixon, TX (111)
5. David Pingree (Hon), Menifee, CA (93)
6. Greg Schnell (Yam), Rancho Cucamonga, CA (84)
7. Michael Brandes (Suz), Quail Valley, CA (72)
8. Jason McCormick (Hon), Vancouver, WA (72)
9. Travis Preston (Suz), Hesperia, CA (68)
10. Jeff Willoh (Suz), Glendale, CA (67)



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AMA GRAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

(After 1 of 21 rounds):

1. Scott Parker (H-D), Swartz Creek, MI (23/1 win)
2. Terry Poovey (Rtx), Euless, TX (19)
3. Brett Landes (ATK), Los Gatos, CA (16)
4. Joe Kopp (KTM), Mica, WA (15)
5. Will Davis (ATK), Goldsboro, NC (14)
6. Rich King (CCM), Waterloo, IA (13)
7. Charlie Orr (Rtx), Irving, TX (12)
8. Roger Durkee (Rtx), Dunnellon, FL (11)
9. Kevin Varnes (Rtx), New Holland, PA (10)
10. Dan Stanley (Rtx), Bellingham, WA (9)

OFF-ROAD

AMA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HARE & HOUND SERIES

(After 4 of 7 rounds):

1. Ty Davis (Yam), Hesperia, CA (110/2 wins)
2. Destry Abbott (Kaw), Peoria, AZ (69/1 win)
3. Paul Krause (Kaw), Irvine, CA (59)

4. Dave Ondas (Kaw), Trabuco Canyon, CA (50)
5. Brian Brown (Kaw), Nampa, ID (48/1 win)
6. Steve Hengeveld (Kaw), Oak Hills, CA (48)
7. Doug Chiapuzio (Kaw), Camarillo, CA (42)
8. Dan Richardson (Kaw), Fountain Valley, CA (41)
9. Oakley Lehman (Kaw), Sunland, CA (38)
10. Donnie Book (Yam), Gypsum, CO (36)



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AMA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HARE SCRAMBLES SERIES

(After 4 of 9 rounds):

1. Doug Blackwell (Yam), Parkersburg, WV (85/2 wins)
2. Mike Lafferty (KTM), Millville, NJ (79)
3. Brian Garrahan (KTM), Boulder Creek, CA (76/1 win)
4. Patrick Garrahan (KTM), Boulder Creek, CA (50)
5. Josh McLevy (Hon), Fairfield, CT (35)
6. Luca Tussardi (Kaw), Santee, CA (32)
7. Fred Andrews (Kaw), Salem, OH (30/1 win)
8. Randy Hawkins (Yam), Travelers Rest, SC (29)
9. Rodney Smith (Suz), Oakley, CA (25)
10. Mike Sampson (TM), Brazil, IN (24)

AMA GRAND NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY SERIES

(After 4 of 13 rounds):

1. Fred Andrews (Kaw), Salem, OH (76/2 wins)
2. Rodney Smith (Suz), Oakley, CA (76/1 win)
3. Scott Summers (Hon), Petersburg, KY (70/1 win)
4. Randy Hawkins (Yam), Travelers Rest, SC (59)
5. Steve Hatch (Suz), Ithaca, NY (50)
6. Jim Jarrett (Kaw), Minerva, OH (42)
7. Michael Lafferty (KTM), Millville, NJ (41)
8. Barry Hawk (Yam), Uniontown, PA (35)
9. Jason Dahners (Hbg), Redmond, WA (32)
10. Luca Tussardi (Kaw), Santee, CA (30)

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(After 3 of 10 rounds):

1. Michael Lafferty (KTM), Millville, NJ (71/1 win)
2. Doug Blackwell (Yam), Parkersburg, WV (62/1 win)
3. Matt Stavish (Hon), Blaine, MN (48)
4. Jason Dahners (Hbg), Redmond, WA (37)
5. Randy Hawkins (Yam), Travelers Rest, SC (35)
6. Patrick Garrahan (KTM), Boulder Creek, CA (31)
7. Ty Davis (Yam), Hesperia, CA (30/1 win)
8. Kelby Pepper (Yam), Center, CO (25)
9. Fred Hoess (Suz), Stanhope, NJ (25)
10. Kevin Bennett (Hon), Millville, NJ (21)

AMA/NATC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TRIALS SERIES

(After 7 of 11 rounds):

1. Geoff Aaron (Bet), Alpine, CA (182/3 wins)
2. Raymond Peters (G-G), Beaver Dams, NY (158/1 win)
3. Ryon Bell (Mon), Canada (156)
4. Dennis Sweeten (Mon), Oregon City, OR (104)
5. Matt Moore (Mon), Sapulpa, OK (100)
6. Michael Bryant (Bet), Burlington, CT (95)
7. Chris Bardell (G-G), Millerstown, PA (85)
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10/17-18 Blountville, TN
11/7-8 Society Hills, SC
Info: 606/877-1364

AMA District 25 Four Corners Motocross

5/16-17 Mesa Verde, CO
6/21 Aztec, NM
7/12 Mesa Verde, CO
8/16 Mesa Verde, CO
9/5 Mesa Verde, CO
9/6 Mesa Verde, CO
9/27 Aztec, NM
10/11 Aztec, NM
Info: 970/533-9747 or 505/325-4195

AMA District 14 Vintage Motocross State Championship Series

5/17 Buchanan, MI
6/6-7 North Branch, MI
6/20-21 Coldwater, MI
7/12 Stanton, MI
8/9 Millington, MI
8/16 Midland, MI
9/5-6 Coldwater, MI
9/19-20 Bloomingdale, MI
9/27 Millington, MI
10/4 Millington, MI
10/18 Buchanan, MI
Info: 248/305-8783

AMA National Reliability Enduro Series

Western Region
5/30 Idaho City, ID
5/31 Idaho City, ID
6/6 Bellingham, WA
6/7 Bellingham, WA

Central Region
5/16 New Waverly, TX
5/17 New Waverly, TX
6/20 Hurricane Mills, TN
6/21 Hurricane Mills, TN

Eastern Region
5/23 McArthur, OH
5/24 McArthur, OH
6/20 Hurricane Mills, TN
6/21 Hurricane Mills, TN

Championship Finale
6/20-21 Hurricane Mills, TN
Info: 304/284-0084

AMA/District 36 Vintage Dirt Track Championship Series

5/16 Newman, CA, Rnd 13
5/30 Lodi, CA, Rnds 14, 15
6/6 Lodi, CA, Rnds 16, 17
6/13 Lodi, CA, Rnds 18, 19
6/20 Newman, CA, Rnd 20
6/27 Newman, CA, Rnd 21
7/11 Lodi, CA, Rnds 22, 23
7/18 Newman, CA, Rnd 24
7/25 Newman, CA, Rnd 25
8/8 Lodi, CA, Rnds 26, 27
8/15 Lodi, CA, Rnds 28, 29
8/22 Lodi, CA, Rnds 30, 31
9/19 Lodi, CA, Rnds 32, 33
10/3 Lodi, CA, Rnds 34, 35
10/10 Lodi, CA, Rnds 36, 37
10/17 Lodi, CA, Rnds 38, 39
10/24 Lodi, CA, Rnd 40
Info: 209/369-1667 or 209/368-7809

AMA/District 36 Amateur/Youth Dirt Track Championship Series

5/16 Newman, CA, Rnd 13
5/30 Lodi, CA, Rnds 14, 15
6/6 Lodi, CA, Rnds 16, 17
6/13 Lodi, CA, Rnds 18, 19
6/20 Newman, CA, Rnd 20
6/27 Newman, CA, Rnd 21
7/11 Lodi, CA, Rnds 22, 23
7/18 Newman, CA, Rnd 24
7/25 Newman, CA, Rnd 25
8/8 Lodi, CA, Rnds 26, 27
8/15 Lodi, CA, Rnds 28, 29
8/22 Lodi, CA, Rnds 30, 31
9/19 Lodi, CA, Rnds 32, 33
10/3 Lodi, CA, Rnds 34, 35
10/10 Lodi, CA, Rnds 36, 37
10/17 Lodi, CA, Rnds 38, 39
10/24 Lodi, CA, Rnd 40
Info: 209/368-7182 or 209/463-6224

AMA/District 36 Championship Enduro Series

5/17 Clear Creek, CA, Rnd 5
6/14 Long Barn, CA, Rnd 6
10/11 Redding, CA, Rnd 7
10/18 Stonyford, CA, Rnd 8
10/25 Elkins Flat, CA, Rnd 9
10/31 Upper Lake, CA, Rnd 10
11/8 Stonyford, CA, Rnd 11
11/15 Ballinger Canyon, Rnd 12
Info: 408/281-3805

AMA/District 34
Family Motocross Series
5/17 Claverack, NY
5/24 Modena, NY

5/31 Monticello, NY
6/7 Modena, NY
6/13 Monticello, NY
6/14 Monticello, NY
6/21 Modena, NY
6/28 Walkill, NY
7/5 Modena, NY
7/12 Modena, NY
7/19 Monticello, NY
7/26 Walkill, NY
8/2 Walkill, NY
8/9 Claverack, NY
8/16 Walkill, NY
8/23 Modena, NY
8/30 Monticello, NY
9/6 Modena, NY
9/13 Claverack, NY
9/20 Modena, NY
9/27 Walkill, NY
10/4 Modena, NY
10/11 Modena, NY
10/18 Walkill, NY
10/25 Modena, NY
11/1 Modena, NY
Info: 518/828-6149

AMA/District 36 Family Enduro Series

5/16 Clear Creek, CA
5/31 Omo Ranch, CA
11/14 Foresthill, CA
11/22 Stonyford, CA
Info: 408/281-3805

AMA/District 37 Dual Sport Ride Series

5/17 Mojave, CA
7/18-19 Sequoia National Forest, CA
8/1-2 Mammoth Lakes, CA
8/8-9 Big Bear Lake, CA
8/29-30 Bass Lake, CA
9/27 Silverwood Lake, CA
10/3-4 Ridgecrest, CA
10/17-18 Mesquite, NV
10/31-11/1 Ridgecrest, CA
11/15 Riverside, CA
11/27-28 LA-Bartow-Las Vegas
12/27 Cantil, CA
* National Trail Ride Series Events
Info: 818/249-2141 (3,1)

Team Dual Dogs/KTM/
Galpin Ford California
Dual Sport Series
6/6-7 Lake Isabella, CA
10/31-11/1 California Hot Springs, CA
11/22 Newhall, CA
1/2-3/99 Mojave, CA
Info: 818/701-1913

AMA/District 37 Big 6 GP Series

10/3-10/4 San Bernardino, CA
10/31-11/1 Gorman, CA
Info: 619/251-3489 or 562/428-4971

AMA/Districts 37 & 38 Flat Track Series

6/13 Temecula, CA
7/18 Temecula, CA
8/15 Temecula, CA
9/19 Temecula, CA
10/10 Del Mar, CA
10/17 Temecula, CA
11/14 Temecula, CA
Info: 619/277-1591

AMA Hot Shoe Series

6/6 Dayton, OH
6/7 Peoria, IL
8/1 Peoria, IL
8/16 Spokane, WA
8/28 Greenville, OH
9/4 Castle Rock, WA
9/5 Castle Rock, WA
9/5 Springfield, IL
Info: 614/891-2425

AMA Pacific Northwest Championship Series

7/5 Washougal, WA
7/26 Trulson, WA
8/9 Mount View, WA
8/16 Ward Creek, WA
8/23 Washougal, WA
Info: 541/673-1671

AMA GFTL Semi-Pro Dirt Track Series

5/23-24 Kodak, TN, Rnds 4, 5
6/20 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 6
7/25-26 TBA, Rnds 7, 8
8/22 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 9
9/26-27 Danielsville, GA, Rnds 10, 11
10/24-25 TBA
11/21 Danielsville, GA, Charity Race
Info: 770/962-7888 or 770/339-3997

Checked Red Flag Dirt Track Series

6/6 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 3
7/4 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 4
8/8 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 5
9/12 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 6

10/10 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 7
11/7 Danielsville, GA, Rnd 8
Info: 770/962-7888 or 770/339-3997

AHRMA Progressive Suspension Historic Cup Series

6/6-7 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/20-21 Grattan, MI
7/11-12 Lexington, OH
8/1-2 Faulkville, GA
8/22-23 Braselton, GA
9/19 Steamboat Springs, CO
10/3-4 Talladega, AL
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA SOS/BOT/ Sound of Thunder Series

6/6-7 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/20-21 Grattan, MI
7/11-12 Lexington, OH
8/1-2 Faulkville, GA
8/22-23 Braselton, GA
9/19-20 Steamboat Springs, CO
10/3-4 Talladega, AL
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Speed & Sport Vintage Motocross Series

5/16 Casey, IL
6/6 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/20 Grattan, MI
7/11 Lexington, OH
8/15 Southwick, MA
8/29 Tyler, TX
9/18 Steamboat Springs, CO
9/26 Peoria, IL
10/18 Hollister, CA
11/8 Tulare, CA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Classic Bike Magazine Dirt Track Series

5/16 Hanford, CA
5/24 Port Royal, PA
6/12 Cumberland, MD
7/9 Indianapolis, IN
7/10 Ashland, OH
7/25 Weedsport, NY
8/1 Savannah, GA
8/21 Lavonia, GA
8/29 Athens, OH
9/4 Castle Rock, WA
9/16 Hayden, CO
9/27 Sacramento, CA
9/27 Peoria, IL
10/10 Del Mar, CA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Speed & Sport Vintage Trials Series

5/17 Casey, IL
6/7 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/21 Grattan, MI
7/12 Lexington, OH
8/16 Norden, CA
8/23 Braselton, GA
9/17 Steamboat Springs, CO
9/27 Peoria, IL
10/3 Millersville, AL
10/10 White City, IL
10/17 Hollister, CA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Dixie Cup Road Race Series

8/1-2 Faulkville, GA
8/22-23 Braselton, GA
10/3-4 Talladega, AL
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Masters of the Midwest Road Race Series

6/6-7 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/20-21 Grattan, MI
7/11-12 Lexington, OH
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Midwest Regional MX Series

7/25 Lamoni, IA
8/8 Logan, OH
8/22 Belding, MI
9/5 Linnville, OH
10/3 Denmark, WI
10/24 Casey, IL
Info: 920/684-4331

AHRMA/EI Dorado Cycle Midwest Trials Series

8/2 Cape Girardeau, MO
9/13 Marshfield, MO
10/10 White City, IL
10/25 Park Hills, MO
Info: 417/859-4158

AHRMA Northeast Regional Hare Scrambles Series

6/28 Plymouth, PA
9/20 Plymouth, PA
Info: 717/675-1814

AHRMA Northeast Regional MX Series

5/17 Berwick, PA
5/24 Mexico, NY

6/6-7 Lempster, NH
7/11 Budds Creek, MD
8/15 Southwick, MA
8/23 TBA
9/6 Englishtown, NJ
9/26 Binghamton, NY
10/10 Clifford, PA
Info: 914/429-9465

AHRMA Northwest Regional MX Series

5/17 Fernley, NV
5/31 Phillipsville, CA
6/28 Eugene, OR
7/19 Carson City, NV
8/15 Soda Springs, CA
8/23 Chehalis, WA
10/18 Hollister, CA
11/8 Tulare, CA
Info: 408/663-4014

AHRMA/European Dirt Rocky Mountain Regional MX Series

5/17 Berthoud, CO
6/14 Price, UT
7/26 Colorado Springs, CO
8/23 Johnstown, CO
9/20 Craig, CO
9/27 Berthoud, CO
Info: 970/879-6651

AHRMA/European Dirt Rocky Mountain Regional Trials Series

5/16 Berthoud, CO
6/14 Price, UT
8/23 Johnstown, CO
9/27 Berthoud, CO
Info: 303/629-3069

H&H KTM Southeast GP Series

8/29 Macon, GA
9/13 Sale Creek, TN
9/26 Macon, GA
Info: 770/986-3213

AHRMA Southeast Dixie Series

6/14 Sales Creek, TN
6/28 Bremen, GA
7/5 Morganton, NC
8/23 Atlanta, GA
11/8 Bremen, GA
Info: 770/986-3213

AHRMA Southeast Regional MX Series

5/31 Sales Creek, TN
7/18 Bremen, GA
8/1 Budds Creek, MD
8/9 Woodbine, GA
10/11 Reddick, FL
Info: 770/986-3213

AHRMA Southeast Regional Trials Series

5/31 Sale Creek, TN
7/4 Mount Airy, GA
7/18 Bremen, GA
8/23 Braselton, GA
10/3 Millersville, AL
Info: 334/826-1969

AHRMA Southwest Regional MX Series

5/31 Carlsbad, CA
6/21 Lemon Grove, CA
8/1 Perris, CA
9/27 Carlsbad, CA
11/8 Tulare, CA
11/22 TBA
Info: 909/929-6772

AHRMA Vintage Iron/Toyota Texas MX Series

5/17 Lake Whitney, TX
6/14 Houston, TX
8/29 Tyler, TX
Info: 281/679-5764

AHRMA Western Regional Dirt Track Series

5/16 Hanford, CA
6/13 Chowchilla, CA
6/14 Lodi, CA
7/25 Quincy, CA
8/9 Hollister, CA
9/7 Lancaster, CA
10/3 Tulare, CA
10/4 Lodi, CA
10/10 Del Mar, CA
10/24 Tulare, CA
Info: 818/992-5343

SERA Enduro Series

5/17 Saucier, MS
5/31 Laurel, MS
6/14 Goodman, MS
8/9 Breezy Hill, LA
9/13 Rockford, AL
9/27 New Augusta, MS
10/11 Odenville, AL
11/1 Maplesville, AL
Info: 205/980-5191

SERA Hare Scrambles Series

6/28 Lawrenceburg, TN
7/19 Rockford, AL
9/6 Fort Polk, LA

9/26 New Augusta, MS
10/TBA Wiggins, MS
12/6 Maplesville, AL
1/3 Saucier, MS
1/17 Maplesville, AL
2/7 Odenville, AL
Info: 504/665-0313

CCS/Championship Cup Road Racing Series Florida Region

5/25 West Palm Beach, FL
6/28 West Palm Beach, FL
7/4-5 Homestead, FL
7/26 West Palm Beach, FL
8/23 West Palm Beach, FL
9/5-6 Bloomingdale, GA
9/27 West Palm Beach, FL
12/5-6 Homestead, FL

Southeast Region

5/23-24 Bloomingdale, GA
6/20-21 Talladega, AL
7/11-12 Bloomingdale, GA
8/8-9 Talladega, AL
9/5-6 Bloomingdale, GA
9/19-20 Braselton, GA

Mid-Atlantic Region

5/23-24 Bloomingdale, GA
5/30-31 Summit Point, WV
7/11-12 Summit Point, WV
8/29-30 Summit Point, WV
9/19-20 Braselton, GA

Northeast Region

6/13-14 Loudon, NH
7/18-19 Loudon, NH
8/8-9 Loudon, NH
9/12-13 Loudon, NH
10/3-4 Loudon, NH

Great Lakes Region

5/23-24 Beloit, IL
6/6-7 Grattan, MI
6/27-28 Beloit, IL
7/11-12 Beloit, IL
8/1-2 Elkhart Lake, WI
8/8-9 Beloit, IL
8/22-23 Grattan, MI
8/29-30 Brainerd, MN
9/5-6 Beloit, IL

Midwest Region

5/23-24 Beloit, IL
6/6-7 Grattan, MI
6/27-28 Beloit, IL
7/11-12 Beloit, IL
8/1-2 Elkhart Lake, WI
8/8-9 Beloit, IL
8/29-30 Brainerd, MN
9/5-6 Beloit, IL

Great Plains Region

5/23-24 Beloit, IL
6/27-28 Beloit, IL
7/25-26 Topeka, KS
8/1-2 Elkhart Lake, WI
8/15-16 Topeka, KS
8/29-30 Brainerd, MN

Southwest Region

8/1-2 Buttonwillow, CA
8/29-30 Chandler, AZ
10/3-4 Chandler, AZ
11/28-29 Chandler, AZ
12/19-20 Chandler, AZ

California Region

8/1-2 Buttonwillow, CA
8/29-30 Chandler, AZ
10/3-4 Chandler, AZ
11/14-15 Buttonwillow, CA
12/5-6 Buttonwillow, CA

CCS Race of Champions

10/21-21 Daytona Beach, FL
Info: 704/684-4297

North American Sport Bike

5/16-17 Watkins Glen, NY
7/4-5 Buttonwillow, CA
7/25-26 Topeka, KS
8/29-30 Braselton, GA
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WERA National Endurance Series

5/16 Hampton, GA
6/13 Faulkville, GA
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7/11 Grattan, MI
8/1 Summit Point, WV
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9/19 College Station, TX
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WERA National Challenge Series

5/15-17 Hampton, GA
6/13-14 Faulkville, GA
6/25-28 Clermont, IN
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7/31-8/2 Summit Point, WV
8/22-23 Mount Meridian, IN
9/18-20 College Station, TX
10/14-18 Braselton, GA
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WERA Vintage Series

5/23-24 Mount Meridian, IN*

5/30-31 Garretttsville, OH
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6/25-28 Indianapolis, IN*
7/4-5 Braselton, GA
7/18-19 Millington, TN
7/18-19 College Station, TX
7/25-26 Garretttsville, OH
8/8-9 Faulkville, GA
8/15-16 South Haven, MI
8/22-23 Talladega, AL
8/29-30 Hallet, OK
9/5-6 Garretttsville, OH*
9/12-13 Grattan, MI*
9/12-13 Summit Point, WV
9/19-20 Faulkville, GA
9/18-20 College Station, TX
9/26-27 Mount Meridian, IN
10/14-18 Braselton, GA*
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WERA Sportsman Series North Central

5/23-24 Mount Meridian, IN
5/30-31 Garretttsville, OH
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8/15-16 South Haven, MI
8/22-23 Mount Meridian, IN
9/12-13 Grattan, MI
9/26-27 Mount Meridian, IN

Northeast

5/30-31 Garretttsville, OH
6/20-21 Summit Point, WV
6/25-28 Indianapolis, IN
7/25-26 Garretttsville, OH
8/8-9 Garretttsville, OH
9/5-6 Garretttsville, OH
9/12-13 Summit Point, WV

Mid-Central

5/23-24 Mount Meridian, IN
6/5-7 Hallet, OK
6/25-28 Indianapolis, IN
7/4-5 Braselton, GA
7/18-19 Millington, TN
8/8-9 Henderson, TX
8/22-23 Talladega, AL
8/29-30 Hallet, OK

South Central

6/5-7 Hallet, OK
6/25-28 Indianapolis, IN
7/18-19 College Station, TX
8/8-9 Henderson, TX
8/29-30 Hallet, OK
9/18-20 College Station, TX

Southeast

5/15-17 Hampton, GA
6/13-14 Faulkville, GA
6/25-28 Indianapolis, IN
7/4-5 Braselton, GA
7/18-19 Millington, TN
8/8-9 Faulkville, GA
8/22-23 Talladega, AL
9/19-20 Faulkville, GA
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ECEA Championship Enduro Series

5/17 Indian Mills, NJ
5/24 New Philadelphia, PA
6/14 Stanhope, NJ
6/28 Webb Mills, NY
7/12 West Greenwich, RI
7/19 Blain, PA
7/26 Crossforks, PA
8/16 Speedsville, NY
8/30 Mauricetown, NJ
9/13 Shippensburg, PA
9/20 Brandonville, PA
9/27 New Lisbon, NJ
10/4 New Gretna, NJ
10/25 Delaware City, DE
11/1 Rawlings, MD
Info: 717/865-0601

ECEA Championship Hare Scrambles Series

5/31 Belleplain, NJ
6/6-7 Manahawkin, NJ
6/21 Brandonville, PA
8/23 Stanhope, NJ
10/11 Budds Creek, MD
10/18 Mauricetown, NJ
11/8 Warren Grove, NJ
Info: 717/865-0601

ECEA Dual Sport Series

6/21 Belleplain, NJ
10/11 Indian Mills, NJ
10/18 New Philadelphia, PA
11/15 Greenbank, NJ
Info: 717/865-0601

Great Lakes Road Racing Association Series

5/30-31 Grattan, MI
6/10-11 Elkhart Lake, WI
7/4-5 Grattan, MI
7/15-16 Lexington, OH
8/8-9 Indianapolis, IN
8/22-23 Grattan, MI

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9/19-20 Grattan, MI
Info: 616/458-5888

Formula USA Road Racing Series

5/15-17 Fountain, CO
6/5-7 Mosport, Canada
7/17-19 Portland, OR
8/7-9 Loudon, NH
8/28-30 Pocono, PA
Info: 530/582-1061

USCRA Vintage

Road Race Series

5/30-31 Shannonville, Ontario, Canada
6/14 Belknap, NH
6/15 Loudon, NH
6/20 Loudon, NH
7/24-26 Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia, Canada
8/14-16 Loudon, NH
8/21-23 Mosport, Ontario, Canada
9/28 Loudon, NH
Info: 607/277-2369 or 603/239-6778

Over The Hill Gang National Series

5/23-24 Reno, NV
6/20-21 Mammoth Mountain, CA
9/12-13 Hollister Hills, CA
10/17-18 Hungry Valley, CA
Info: 562/864-6875 or 714/680-8643

Mammoth Motocross
6/25-28 Mammoth Lakes, CA
Info: 760/934-0642

Carlsbad Spring Motocross Series

5/30 Carlsbad, CA, Rnd 4
6/13 Carlsbad, CA, Rnd 5
6/27 Carlsbad, CA, Rnd 6
7/11 Carlsbad, CA, Rnd 7
7/25 Carlsbad, CA, Rnd 8
Info: 888/550-MOTO or
www.carlsbadmx.com

Starwest Spring Night MX Series

5/16 Moreno Valley, CA
5/23 Moreno Valley, CA
Info: 909/943-4535 or 909/657-8845

Rocky Mountain Motocross Association

Spring Series
5/23-24 Watkins, CO
6/14 Craig, CO
Summer Series
6/21 TBA
7/12 Craig, CO
7/26 Brush, CO
8/16 Watkins, CO
8/23 Erie, CO
9/6 Colorado Springs, CO
9/13 TBA
9/27 Brush, CO
10/4 Watkins, CO
Info: 719/473-6723 or 303/271-0190

Sports Riders Association of Colorado Motocross Series

5/31 Pueblo, CO
6/7 Cheyenne, CO
6/14 Colorado Springs, CO
6/21 Colorado Springs, CO
6/27-28 Watkins, CO
7/12 Berthoud, CO
7/26 Cheyenne, WY
8/2 Colorado Springs, CO
8/9 Berthoud, CO
8/22 TBA
9/13 Colorado Springs, CO
9/20 Pueblo, CO
9/27 Colorado Springs, CO
10/4 Berthoud, CO
10/11 TBA

Supercross Series

5/16 Grand Junction, CO
7/18 Colorado Springs, CO
8/16 Grand Junction, CO
8/29 TBA
Info: 303/988-7722

Wild West Motocross Series

5/16-17 Rock Springs, WY
5/23-24 Boise, ID
6/13-14 Elko, NV
7/4-5 Pocatello, ID
7/25-26 Rupert, ID
8/8-9 Pocatello, ID
9/5-6 Salt Lake City or Ogden, UT
Info: 208/887-8695 or 208/236-5383

SD/AMA Motocross Series

6/7 Armstrong, IA
6/14 Fort Dodge, IA
6/21 Yankton, SD
6/28 Sioux City, IA
7/11 Truesdale, IA
7/18 Ida Grove, IA
7/26 Trimont, MN
8/2 Fort Dodge, IA
8/8 Truesdale, IA
8/23 Trimont, MN

8/30 Armstrong, IA
9/20 Yankton, SD
9/27 Sioux Falls, SD
Info: 605/665-3512

Alabama State Championship Motocross Series

5/17 Chandler Mountain, AL
5/23 Kilpatrick, AL
9/6 Chandler Mountain, AL
9/12 Kilpatrick, AL
9/19 Ironman, AL
10/4 Chandler Mountain, AL
10/10 Kilpatrick, AL
10/17 Ironman, AL
Info: 205/681-8317 or 205/663-0963 or
205/561-3495

Sunshine State MX Championship Series

5/24 Orlando, FL, Rnd 10
5/31 Ocala, FL, Rnd 11
6/7 Dade City, FL, Rnd 12
6/28 Ona, FL, Rnd 13
7/5 Orlando, FL, Rnd 14
7/12 Reddick, FL, Rnd 15
7/19 Dade City, FL, Rnd 16
7/26 Ona, FL, Rnd 17
8/16 Orlando, FL, Rnd 18
8/23 Reddick, FL, Rnd 19
8/30 Dade City, FL, Rnd 20
9/6 Ona, FL, Rnd 21
9/13 Orlando, FL, Rnd 22
Info: 352/242-2605

District 11/Buckeye State Motocross C'ship Series

7/5 Jacksonville, OH
7/12 Nelsonville, OH
7/19 Greenville, OH
8/30 Troy, OH
9/7 McArthur, OH
9/13 Frankfort, OH
9/27 Sugar Grove, OH
Info: 614/740-323-3489

KTMX Motocross Series

5/16 Draffenville, KY
5/24 Milan, TN
5/30 Atwood, TN
6/12 Murray, KY
7/4 Atwood, TN
7/18 Draffenville, KY
8/9 Apex Valley, KY
8/22 Atwood, TN
8/29 Paris, TN
9/5 Clarksville, TN
9/19 Paris, TN
9/26 Paris, TN
10/3 Murray, KY
10/11 Milan, TN
Info: 901/642-0511

Tennessee State Arena X Championship Series

8/29 Paris, TN
9/12 Dyersburg, TN
9/19 Paris, TN
9/26 Paris, TN
10/10 Paris, TN
10/17 Jackson, TN
10/24 Paris, TN
Info: 901/642-0511

GNC Texas MX Series

5/31 Bastrop, TX
6/7 Arlington, TX
Info: 214/351-9900

New England State Motocross Championships

5/17 Southwick, MA
5/24-25 Greene, ME
5/31 Middleboro, MA
6/7 Southwick, MA
6/14 Southwick, MA (National)
6/21 Central Village, CT
6/28 Middleboro, MA
7/4-5 Greene, ME
7/12 Middleboro, MA
7/26 Southwick, MA
8/2 Middleboro, MA
8/9 Central Village, CT
8/16 Southwick, MA
8/23 Middleboro, MA
9/6 Greene, ME
9/13 Southwick, MA
9/20 Central Village, CT
9/26-27 Greene, ME
10/4 Middleboro, MA
10/11 Southwick, MA
10/18 Middleboro, MA
10/25 Southwick, MA
11/1 Middleboro, MA
Info: 617/982-4307

Moriarty Motocross Series Championships

5/31 Moriarty, NM
6/28 Moriarty, NM
7/19 Moriarty, NM
8/23 Moriarty, NM
9/20 Moriarty, NM
10/17 Moriarty, NM

10/18 Moriarty, NM
Info: 505/888-7312

MARS Motorcycle Asphalt Racing Series

5/15 Myrtle Beach, SC
9/18 Asheville, NC
10/17 Hampton, VA
Info: 803/626-7959

Northeast Pro Flat Track Series

6/19 Rochester, NH
6/26 Lebanon Valley, NY
7/10 Agawam, MA
7/24 Middletown, NY
7/25 Weedsport, NY
7/31 Quebec City, Canada
8/21 Agawam, MA
8/23 Stafford Springs, CT
Info: 978/874-1732

New England Dirt Track Series

5/30 East Lempster, NH
6/13 Canaan, NH
6/27 East Lempster, NH
7/18 East Lempster, NH
8/1 Canaan, NH
8/15 East Lempster, NH
8/29 Bangor, ME
8/30 Bangor, ME
9/26 East Lempster, NH
10/10 East Lempster, NH
Info: 978/874-1732

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Trials Association

5/17 Exeter, RI
5/31 Chepachet, RI
6/14 Meriden, CT
6/28 Ossipee, NH
7/19 Meriden, CT
8/16 Cumberland, RI
9/13 Meriden, CT
9/27 Exeter, RI
10/18 Chepachet, RI
Info: 508/429-7675 or 401/334-4820 or
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Jackpine Gypsies Short Track Series

5/16 Sturgis, SD
5/30 Sturgis, SD
6/13 Casper, WY
6/27 Sturgis, SD
7/11 Sturgis, SD
7/25 Sturgis, SD
8/3-4 Sturgis, SD
8/7-8 Sturgis, SD
8/29 Sturgis, SD
9/12 Sturgis, SD
Info: 605/347-6022 or gypsies.sturgis-
rally.com

Jackpine Gypsies Motocross Series

6/13 Casper, WY
7/12 Sturgis, SD
8/2 Sturgis, SD
8/30 Sturgis, SD
9/13 Sturgis, SD
Info: 605/347-6022 or gypsies.sturgis-
rally.com

Jackpine Gypsies TT Race Series

5/31 Sturgis, SD
9/19 Sturgis, SD
Info: 605/347-6022 or gypsies.sturgis-
rally.com

NETRA Championship Enduro Series

5/31 Freetown, PA
6/7 Wrentham, MA
6/14 Somers, CT
7/12 West Greenwich, RI
7/19 Oxford, MA
8/9 West Granville, MA
9/13 Lee, MA
10/4 Adams, MA
10/18 Chester, CT
11/1 West Stafford, CT
11/15 Central Village, CT
Info: 860/875-5757

NETRA Championship Hare Scrambles Series

5/17 Fishouse, NY
6/21 Thomaston, CT
6/28 Union, CT
7/5 Chelsea, VT
7/12 Windsor, MA
7/26 East Hampton, CT
8/2 West Unity, NH
8/23 Union, CT
8/30 Alton, NH
9/6 Uxbridge, MA
9/13 Hoosick, NY
9/20 West Greenwich, RI
10/11 Assonet, MA
Info: 860/875-5757

NETRA Turkey Run Series

5/17 West Greenwich, RI
6/13-14 Loudon, NH

8/16 Porters Corner, NY
9/13 North Haverhill, NH
9/20 New Boston, MA
9/27 Wrentham, MA
10/11 Winchendon, MA
10/25 Central Village, CT
Info: 860/875-5757

NETRA Championship Junior Enduro Series

5/16 Fishouse, NY
6/20 Thomaston, CT
6/27 Union, CT
7/4 Granville, MA
7/25 Southampton, MA
8/22 Union, CT
8/29 Alton, NH
9/26 Brimfield, MA
10/10 Assonet, MA
11/7 Winchendon, MA
Info: 860/875-5757

MRA Suzuki

Tri-State Challenge

7/10 Milan, MI
7/11 Delta, OH
7/12 Delta, OH
10/4 Delta, OH
10/11 Milan, MI
Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600

MRA Ironman GP Series

6/14 Delta, OH
6/28 Delta, OH
7/26 Delta, OH
8/9 Delta, OH
8/23 Delta, OH
9/20 Delta, OH
10/25 Delta, OH
11/1 Delta, OH
Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600

Mid-South Summer

Hare Scramble Series

5/31 Charlotte, TN
6/7 Clarksville, TN
6/28 Lawrenceburg, TN
7/12 Greensburg, KY
7/19 Jonesboro, IL
8/2 Saddleback East, KY
8/30 New Johnsonville, TN
Info: 615/859-0873

Southeastern Trials Riders Association C'Ship Series

5/23-24 Crossville, TN
6/6-7 TBA
6/20-21 Carrollton, KY
8/15-16 Shooting Creek, NC
9/5-6 Cookeville, TN
9/19-20 Gadsden, AL
10/3-4 Millerville, AL
10/24-25 Sequatchie, TN
11/14-15 Cumming, GA
Info: 423/942-8688

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5/16-17 Twinsburg, OH
6/20-21 Carrollton, KY
7/26 Lancaster, OH
8/16 Dayton, OH
9/19-20 Columbus, IN
10/11 Dayton, OH
11/14 TBA
Info: 937/299-1501

Mid-East Hare

Scrambles Series

5/31 Greer, SC
6/14 Belwood, NC
8/16 Greer, SC
9/6 Morganton, NC
9/20 Lancaster, SC
10/4 Hickory, NC
10/18 TBA
11/1 Grover, NC
Info: 704/937-9177 or 704/484-9000

NMA Grand National

Motocross Championship

7/28-8/1 Ponca City, OK
Info: 562/868-8112 or 909/657-6782

NMA Ponca

Regional Qualifiers

Western 1
5/17 Moreno Valley, CA
6/7 Moreno Valley, CA
6/14 Lemon Grove, CA
Info: 562/868-8112

Norcal (Western 2)

5/24 Hollister, CA
5/30 Los Banos, CA
6/7 Livermore, CA
Info: 415/587-8678

Arizona

5/16-17 Phoenix, AZ
5/23 Eloy, AZ
6/6 Cottonwood, AZ
6/13 Eloy, AZ

6/27 Cottonwood, AZ
Info: 602/849-1572

Arkansas

5/17 Prairie Grove, AR
6/14 Donaldson, AR
6/21 Pine Bluff, AR
Info: 501/648-1696

Blue Grass

6/6 Clarksville, TN
Info: 502/886-8564

Carolinas

5/17 Forest City, NC
6/6-7 Blountville, TN
6/28 Reidsville, NC
Info: 704/483-0772

Silver State

5/24 Carson City, NV
6/12 Carson City, NV
7/10 Carson City, NV
Info: 702/267-4392

Central

5/24 Great Bend, KS
5/25 Great Bend, KS
6/6 Wichita, KS
6/7 Wichita, KS
Info: 913/842-8272

Finger Lakes

5/17 Centerisles, NY
5/31 Clifford, PA
6/21 Clifford, PA
Info: 607/732-5154

Great Lakes

5/22 Milan, MI
5/23 Delta, OH
Info: 313/241-1600

Midwest

5/17 Coal Valley, IL
6/14 Coal Valley, IL
Info: 309/792-5813

North Central

5/16 North Webster, IN
6/14 Grand Rapids, MI
Info: 616/554-8071

Northwest

6/6-7 Albany, OR
6/20-21 Richland, WA
Info: 208/667-7905

Nebraska

5/17 Ashland, NE
6/7 Ashland, NE
6/28 Ashland, NE
Info: 402/572-7196

Southwest

5/31 Moriarty, NM
Info: 505/822-9170

Southwest Nebraska

5/24-25 McCook, NE
6/7 Alma, NE
6/14 North Platte, NE
6/21 Stockton, KS
Info: 308/345-3744

Ohio

5/23 Malvern, OH
5/31 Malvern, OH
6/13 Malvern, OH
6/27 Malvern, OH
7/3 Malvern, OH
7/11 Malvern, OH
Info: 216/262-4945

Ozark

5/16 Billings, MO
5/31 Merwin, MO
6/13 Kingsville, MO
6/21 Columbia, MO
7/5 Halltown, MO
Info: 417/889-4794

Rocky Mountain

5/16 Grand Junction, CO
5/23-24 Watkins, CO
5/31 Berthoud, CO
6/7 Craig, CO
Info: 303/215-0227

Texas

6/6 Fort Worth, TX

Utah

5/16-17 Rock Springs, WY
5/23-24 Boise, ID
Info: 801/776-2197

Wyoming

5/24 Douglas, WY
6/21 Gillette, WY
Info: 307/682-0506

Cimarron

6/14 Oklahoma City, OK
6/28 Oklahoma City, OK
Info: 405/733-0341

Dakotas

5/17 Bismarck, ND
6/6-7 Beulah, ND
Info: 701/838-1268

Dixie

5/23 Biloxi, MS
5/31 Fernwood, MS
6/7 New Iberia, LA
6/28 Watson, LA
Info: 318/364-7877

NYS Grand Prix/Championship Series
7/12 Colden, NY, Rnd 2

7/26 Langford, NY, Rnd 3
Info: 716/825-8720

NYS Off-Road Grand Prix

Championship Series

9/6 Hamburg, NY
9/13 Hamburg, NY
9/20 Hamburg, NY
9/27 Hamburg, NY
Info: 716/825-8720

Branson USA MX

Championships

9/25-27 Branson, MO
Info: 909/657-6834

La Playa Motocross

Grand Prix Series

5/17 Rosarito, Baja California
8/23 Rosarito, Baja California
10/4 Rosarito, Baja California
12/6 Rosarito, Baja California
Info: 011/52-661-22525

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Northeast Classic MX Series

5/17 Binghamton, NY
5/31 Clifford, PA
6/7 New Berlin, NY
7/26 Walden Playboys, NY
8/2 Powerline Park, NJ
Info: 717/222-9290

AMP Motocross Spring Series

5/24 Turlock, CA
5/31 Hollister, CA
6/7 Hollister, CA
Info: 209/656-9682

CMA Little Okie Spring Series

5/15 Madera, CA
5/22 Madera, CA
5/29 Madera, CA
6/5 Madera, CA
Info: 209/673-8080

CMA Valley Children's Race

6/13 Madera, CA
6/20 Madera, CA
6/27 Madera, CA
Info: 209/673-8080

CMA Little Okie

Summer Series

7/10 Madera, CA
7/17 Madera, CA
7/24 Madera, CA
7/31 Madera, CA
8/7 Madera, CA
8/14 Madera, CA
8/21 Madera, CA
Info: 209/673-8080

CMA Bounty Hunter Series

5/23 Los Banos, CA
5/30 Los Banos, CA
6/6 Los Banos, CA
7/4 Los Banos, CA
7/11 Los Banos, CA
7/18 Los Banos, CA
7/25 Los Banos, CA
8/1 Los Banos, CA
8/8 Los Banos, CA
8/15 Los Banos, CA
8/22 Los Banos, CA
8/29 Los Banos, CA
Info: 209/673-8080

American Trials Association

5/17 Johnson Valley, CA
6/6-7 Big Bear, CA
Info: 714/562-7742

SETRA Championship

Enduro Series

5/17 Tarrytown, FL, Rnd 18
6/7 Hurricane Mills, TN, Rnd 19
Info: 706/327-4015

Rocky Mountain

Enduro Circuit

5/17 Montrose, CO
5/24 Limon, CO
6/7 Buena Vista, CO
6/21 Upton, WY
7/19 Rand, CO
8/9 Divide, CO
8/23 Taos, NM
9/13 Gunnison, CO
11/8 Matador, TX
Info: 307/742-4136

Black Jack Enduro Series

5/17 Flat River, MO
5/31 Collins, MO
9/13 Little Rock, AR
9/27 Tulsa, OK
10/11 Muenster, TX
10/25 Chadwick, MO
11/22 Oklahoma City, OK
Info: 417/581-5552 or 417/581-4046

Texas Enduro Series

5/16-17 New Waverly, TX
6/7 Blackwell, TX
8/9 Alexandria, LA



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9:15 AM
All 80cc
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10:15 AM
Oldtimers
11:15 AM
All 60cc
Super Pee Wee
12:00 NOON
Parade Lap
12:15 PM
CRC Vets (+30)
Sr. (+40)
1:15 PM
Jr. 125 - 250 - 500
Beg / 4-Stroke
2:15 PM
125-250-500
Nov/Int/Pro
3:15 PM
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5/15/98 11:30 PM MotoWorld ESPN2	5/24/98 10:00 PM FIM World Supercross - Spain (Same day delay) Speed
5/16/98 2:00 AM MW2 Rev It Up (R) ESPN2	5/26/98 6:30 PM American Thunder - Arizona Bike Week Speed
5/17/98 10:00 AM MW2 Rev It Up ESPN2	5/26/98 7:00 PM Bike Week - GARTRA Work Day Speed
5/17/98 10:30 AM MotoWorld (R) ESPN2	5/26/98 9:00 PM Canadian Supercross C-ship - Season Preview Speed
5/17/98 10:00 PM FIM World GP 500 - Italy (Same day delay) Speed	5/26/98 10:00 PM FIM World Supersport - Italy Speed
5/17/98 11:00 PM Las Vegas, NV Supercross ESPN2	5/27/98 3:30 AM MotoWorld (R) ESPN2
5/18/98 2:30 AM MW2 Rev It Up (R) ESPN2	5/27/98 4:00 AM Las Vegas, NV Supercross (R) ESPN2
5/19/98 3:00 AM MotoWorld (R) ESPN2	5/28/98 6:30 PM MotoWorld ESPN2
5/19/98 3:00 PM Las Vegas, NV Supercross (R) ESPN2	5/30/98 3:30 AM San Bernardino, CA Motocross (R) ESPN2
5/19/98 7:00 PM Bike Week - Amateur AX Speed	5/30/98 2:00 PM AMA Supercross - Road Atlanta (Live) Speed
5/19/98 8:00 PM FIM World GP 250 - Spain Speed	5/31/98 10:30 AM MotoWorld (R) ESPN2
5/19/98 9:00 PM FIM World GP 125 - Spain Speed	5/31/98 2:00 PM AMA Supercross - Road Atlanta (Live) Speed
5/22/98 8:00 AM San Bernardino, CA Motocross ESPN2	5/31/98 3:00 PM AMA 600 Supersport - Road Atlanta (Same day delay) Fox
5/22/98 7:30 PM MotoWorld ESPN2	5/31/98 10:00 PM FIM World GP 500 - France (Same day delay) Speed
5/23/98 12:30 AM San Bernardino, CA Motocross (R) ESPN2	

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9/13 New Waverly, TX
9/27 Cloudcroft, NM
10/11 Muenster, TX
10/25 Memphis, TX
11/8 Matador, TX
11/22 Oklahoma City, OK
Info: 800/558-7232

Oklahoma X-Country Series

5/24 Tulsa, OK
6/7 Rosedale, OK
6/21 Ellington, OK
8/23 Pooleville, OK
9/6 Stillwater, OK
9/27 Cogar, OK
10/4 Rose, OK
11/1 Braggs, OK
11/8 Hallett, OK
Info: 405/366-1051 or 405/390-5227

SRA West Series

5/16-17 Willow Springs, CA
6/12-14 Elkhart Lake, WI
7/18-19 Willow Springs, CA
8/15-16 Truckee, CA
9/18-20 Portland, OR
10/3-4 Willow Springs, CA
10/17-18 Willow Springs, CA
Info: 916/339-1778

FDTRA Championship

Dirt Track Series

5/16 Orlando, FL
5/30 Orlando, FL
6/6 Orlando, FL
6/20 Orlando, FL
7/4 Orlando, FL
7/18 Orlando, FL
8/1 Orlando, FL
8/15 Orlando, FL
8/29 Orlando, FL
Info: 407/869-5388

FTR Championship

Series Hare Scrambles

6/6-7 Morriston, FL
Info: 407/668-9700

FTR Championship

Enduro Series

5/17 Terrytown, FL
5/31 Daytona, FL
Info: 407/668-9700

FTR Motocross Series

5/17 Hilliard, FL, Rnd 10
5/24 Dade City, FL, Rnd 11
Info: 407/668-9700

Missouri Hare Scrambles

Championship Series

6/7 Collins, MO
6/14 Cole Camp, MO
6/28 Park Hills, MO
7/12 Knobnoster, MO
7/19 Tebbets, MO
8/2 Alton, MO
8/23 Diamond, MO
9/13 Smithville, MO
9/20 Park Hills, MO
10/11 Drexel, MO
10/18 Festus, MO
Info: 417/537-8406

Total Performance

Racing Dirt Track Series

5/31 Tulsa, OK
7/19 Oklahoma City, OK
7/25 Norton, KS
7/26 Tulsa, OK
8/30 Tulsa, OK
9/27 Tulsa, OK
10/25 Tulsa, OK
11/21 Glenpool, OK
11/22 Glenpool, OK
Info: 918/836-6999

International Old-Timers

Motocross Series

5/16-17 Mountain Home, ID
5/23-24 Edmonton, Canada
7/4-5 Bellingham, WA
7/25-26 Albany, OR
8/15-16 Trulsons, WA
9/5-6 Fernley, NV
Info: 253/840-0466 or
www.seanet.com/~russr

Sunshine State MX

Championship Series

5/24 Orlando, FL
5/31 Ocala, FL
6/7 Dade City, FL
6/28 Ona, FL
7/5 Orlando, FL
7/12 Reddick, FL
7/19 Dade City, FL
7/26 Ona, FL
8/16 Orlando, FL
8/23 Reddick, FL
8/30 Dade City, FL
9/6 Ona, FL

9/13 Orlando, FL

Info: 352/242-2605

CMRRA 50cc/125cc

Championship Road Race

Series

6/27-28 Rosamond, CA
7/26 Palomar, CA
8/23 Riverside, CA
9/27 Palomar, CA
10/24-25 Rosamond, CA
11/22 Palomar, CA
12/13 Riverside, CA
Info: 909/674-5357

WSMC Road Race Series

5/16-17 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 5
6/20-21 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 6
7/18-19 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 7
8/15-16 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 8
9/19-20 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 9
10/17-18 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 10
11/14-15 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 11
12/19-20 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 12
Info: 805/256-1234

NCMRRA Road Racing Series

5/16-17 Sacramento, CA
6/20-21 Sacramento, CA
7/18-19 Sacramento, CA
8/14-16 Donner Ski Ranch, CA
9/12-13 Sacramento, CA
10/3-4 Sacramento, CA
10/31-11/1 Sacramento, CA
Info: 916/722-5517

WML Motocross Series

6/27-28 Mammoth Mountain, CA
7/18-19 New Berlin, NY
8/1-2 Washougal, WA
8/3-9 Nashville, TN
8/29 Binghampton, NY
8/30 Binghampton, NY

Vintage Iron/Toyota

Texas/AHRMA Spring

Motocross Series

5/17 Lake Whitney, TX
6/14 Houston, TX
8/29 Tyler, TX
Info: 281/679-5764

CMC Spring Classic Motocross

Nationals

South Region

5/17 Victorville, CA
5/31 San Jacinto, CA

North Region

5/24 Hollister, CA
5/30 Marysville, CA
6/6-7 Victorville, CA
Info: 714/367-1141 or
spcmcmx@aol.com

CMC West Coast

Arenacross Challenge

TBA Las Vegas, NV
Info: 702/267-4392

CMC Pac-West

Motocross Nationals

6/6 Albany, OR, Rnd 1
6/7 Albany, OR, Rnd 2
6/20 Richland, WA, Rnd 3
6/21 Richland, WA, Rnd 4
6/27 Raymond, WA, Rnd 5
6/28 Raymond, WA, Rnd 6
7/11 Ethel, WA, Rnd 7
7/12 Ethel, WA, Rnd 8
Info: 208/667-7905 or MXMOM@aol.com

CMC Sunstar Trans-Cal

Motocross Nationals

South

9/13 Devore, CA, Rnd 1
9/20 Victorville, CA, Rnd 2
10/4 Palmdale, CA, Rnd 3
10/11 San Jacinto, CA, Rnd 4

North

8/22 Marysville, CA, Rnd 1
8/30 Carson City, NV, Rnd 2
TBA Hollister, CA, Rnd 3
9/13 Livermore, CA, Rnd 4

Pacific Northwest

8/30 Albany, OR, Rnd 1
9/13 Yakima, WA, Rnd 2
10/4 Albany, OR, Rnd 3

Final Showdown

10/24-25 TBA
Info: 949/367-1141 or
SPCMCMX@aol.com

CMC Thousand Oaks Yamaha

Spring Classic MX Nationals

South

5/17 Victorville, CA, Rnd 3
5/31 San Jacinto, CA, Rnd 4

North

5/24 Hollister, CA, Rnd 5
Final Showdown
6/6-7 Victorville, CA
Info: 949/367-1141 or

SPCMCMX@aol.com

GFI At Night Motocross Series

5/30 Perris, CA
6/6 Perris, CA
6/13 Starwest, CA
6/20 Lancaster, CA
7/11 Perris, CA
7/18 Perris, CA
7/25 Lancaster, CA
8/8 LACR, CA
8/15 Perris, CA
8/22 LACR, CA
8/29 Perris, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

GFI Team Green Youth

World Nationals

7/4-5 Glen Helen, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

Kansas Motocross

Championships

5/31 Hillsboro, KS
6/28 Inman, KS
8/9 Sterling, KS
9/13 Marion, KS
Info: 316/942-6527

KORR Hare Scrambles

Championship Series

9/6 Wichita, KS
10/4 Sterling, KS
11/8 Marion, KS
11/22 Wichita, KS
12/6 Hillsboro, KS
Info: 316/942-6527

Virginia Championship

Hare Scrambles Series

5/17 Surry, VA
5/31 Ivor, VA
6/7 Rural Retreat, VA
8/30 Danville, VA
9/6 Pulaski, VA
9/20 Middlebrook, VA
10/4 Martinsville, VA
10/11 Newport News, VA
11/1 Surry, VA
Info: 757/255-4620

KORR Motocross

Championship Series

5/17 Wichita, KS
5/31 Hillsboro, KS
6/7 Marion, KS
6/14 Sterling, KS
6/28 Inman, KS
7/12 Sterling, KS
7/18 Hillsboro, KS
7/19 Marion, KS
8/9 Sterling, KS
8/22 Wichita, KS
8/30 Hillsboro, KS
9/13 Marion, KS
9/20 Hillsboro, KS
9/27 Inman, KS
10/11 Hillsboro, KS
10/25 Marion, KS
12/13 Sterling, KS
Info: 316/942-6527

Sunflower State

Championship Series

5/16 Wichita, KS
5/24 Great Bend, KS
6/7 Lyndon, KS
6/20 Wichita, KS
7/11 Wichita, KS
7/25 Concordia, KS
9/6 Great Bend, KS
9/20 Lyndon, KS
9/27 Great Bend, KS
10/11 Lyndon, KS
Info: 785/842-8272

MRAN Desert Series

6/13-14 Caliente, NV
8/9 Ely, NV
8/23 Hiko, NV
10/17-18 Logandale, NV
11/7-8 Beatty, NV
11/21 Alamo, NV
Info: 702/437-6726

Silver State Desert Race Series

6/26-28 Ely, NV, Rnd 2
10/1-4 Vegas-to-Reno, NV, Rnd 3
12/4-6 Pahrump, NV, Rnd 4
Info: 702/457-5775 or www.bitd.com

Silver State Golden State

Motocross Series

7/10 Carson City, NV
7/18 Bishop, NV
7/24 Carson City, NV
8/1 Bishop, NV
8/14 Carson City, NV
8/22 Bishop, NV
9/3 Bishop, NV
Info: 702/267-4392

USRA Desert Series

5/23 Cherry Creek, UT
6/6-7 Mount Carmel, UT

8/29 Jericho, UT
9/12 Wells, NV
9/26 TBA
10/10 Price, UT
11/14 Knolls, UT

**USRA & ZMA
Motocross Series**
5/30-31 Price, UT
6/20-21 Salinas, UT
7/11-12 Cedar City, UT
8/1-2 Price, UT
8/22-23 Cedar City, UT
9/19-20 Ogden, UT
10/3-4 Rock Springs, WY
11/27-28 St. George, UT
Info: 801/966-4635 or 435/673-2444

MRA Roadracing Series
5/15-17 Colorado Springs, CO
5/31 Mead, CO
6/14 Denver, CO
6/28 Pueblo, CO
7/12 Mead, CO
8/16 Pueblo, CO
8/29-30 Colorado Springs, CO
9/19-20 Steamboat Springs, CO
10/4 Mead, CO
Info: 303/530-5678 or 303/369-8409

**Mid-Atlantic Vintage
Trials Series**
7/18 Farrandville, PA
8/8 Toronto, OH
10/4 Toughenamon, PA
Info: 410/775-7209

Georgia Championship Series
5/17 Dalton, GA
5/24 Macon, GA
9/6 Dalton, GA
9/20 Bremen, GA
10/4 Macon, GA
10/11 Roberta, GA
10/25 Bremen, GA
Info: 912/788-0413

**District 38/FRT Superstition
Championship Series**
5/23 Plaster City, CA
7/25-26 Los Sahueros, CA
8/1-2 Los Sahueros, CA
8/22 Plaster City, CA
9/26 Lake Superstition, CA
10/11 Plaster City, CA
10/31 Lake Superstition, CA
11/22 Yuha, CA
12/6 Kamikaze Wash, CA
12/31 Plaster City, CA
Info: 619/427-5759

**California Rough
Scrambles Series**
11/1 Madera, CA
11/8 Madera, CA
11/15 Madera, CA
11/22 Madera, CA
11/29 Madera, CA
Info: 209/661-0706

**Central California
Dirt Track Series**
9/20 Madera, CA
10/4 Madera, CA
10/11 Madera, CA
10/18 Madera, CA
10/25 Madera, CA
Info: 209/661-0706

**California Dirt Track
Championship Series**
7/11 Chowchilla, CA
7/18 Chowchilla, CA
7/25 Chowchilla, CA
8/1 Chowchilla, CA
8/8 Chowchilla, CA
8/15 Chowchilla, CA
Info: 209/661-0706

**VDTRA National Dirt Track
Championship Series**
6/12 Holten, KS
6/13-14 Wichita, KS
6/27-28 Monett, MO
7/11-12 Sturgis, SD
7/19 Oklahoma City, OK
7/25 Norton, KS
8/3-4 Sturgis, SD
8/6 Rapid City, SD
8/7 Sturgis, SD
8/10-11 Stockton, KS
9/19 Muskogee, OK
9/20 Devils Bowl, TX
10/4 Las Vegas, NV

Regional
5/17 Kilgore, TX
Info: 719/541-2741

**Michigan State Fair
Supercross Series**
6/5 Hudsonville, MI
6/19 Muskegon, MI
7/8 Muskegon, MI
7/18 Charlotte, MI

7/23 Hastings, MI
7/30 Holland, MI
8/7 Sandusky, MI
8/21 Marshall, MI
8/28 Hudsonville, MI
9/11 Muskegon, MI
9/21 Centerville, MI
Info: 616/652-2292 or 616/924-5778

West Coast Stadiacross Series
10/2-3 Fresno, CA
10/16-17 San Diego, CA
11/13-14 San Francisco, CA
11/20-21-22 Reno, NV
Info: 702/267-4392

**Texas Cross Country
Racing Association**
5/17 North Bryson, TX
5/31 Boars Nest-Jacksboro, TX
6/14 Terrell, OK
6/28 Fort Hood, TX
8/30 Penelope, TX
9/13 Rocky Ridge, TX
9/27 Gholson, TX
10/11 St. Joe, TX
Info: http://www.tccra.org

**Nebraska Cornhusker
Motocross Circuit**
5/24 McCook, NE
5/25 McCook, NE
5/31 Douglas, NE
6/7 Alma, NE
6/14 North Platte, NE
6/21 Stockton, KS
6/28 Friend, NE
7/12 Stockton, KS
7/19 Friend, NE
7/26 McCook, NE
8/2 Stockton, KS
8/9 North Platte, NE
8/16 Friend, NE
8/23 McCook, NE
8/30 Friend, NE
9/13 Stockton, KS
9/20 Alma, NE
9/27 Douglas, NE
10/4 North Platte, NE
10/11 McCook, NE
10/18 Douglas, NE
Info: 308/345-3744 or 308/928-2503

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May 15-16
IDAHO MOTOCROSS - International Old-Timers MX Association, Boise. Info: 208/467-3593.

May 15-17
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 36, Hangtown MX, Dirt Diggers North MC Inc., Prairie City State Vehicle Recreation Area, Rancito Cordova. Info: 800/Hangtown or www.hangtownmx.com.

Fri, May 15

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, Fan of the Week, Sidecars, Backwards Main Event, Night Race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or FastFriday@aol.com.

GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - High Falls SX, Night Race, High Falls. Info: 770/358-6111.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - MRA, Milan Cycle City, Night Race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

OHIO SHORT TRACK - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, Night Race, Western Hills Honda-Yamaha, Cincinnati. Info: 513/662-7759 or 812/537-5299.

* SOUTH CAROLINA HALF MILE - AMA/MARS Carolina H-D Dealers Association, Myrtle Beach. Info: 803/626-9455.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA, Stadium MX, Suzuki Contingency, Night Race, Lake Geneva Raceway, Bloomfield Road, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/728-0823.

May 16-17

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - AMX E-Zup Dealer Series, Rnds 1&2, Speedworld MX, Phoenix. Info: 602/849-1572 or 408-2617.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Starwest Spring Series, NMA Ponca City Qualifier, Starwest MX Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535

COLORADO MOTOCROSS - AMA/District 25, Loretta Lynn's Qualifier, High Desert Racing Club, Mesa Verde. Info: 970/533-9747 or 505/325-4195.

* KENTUCKY SUPERCROSS - KTMXA, TK Raceway, Dravenville. Info: 502/527-5784 or elmfo8a@prodigy.com.

MARYLAND ROAD RACING - Eastern American Road Racing Association, Monrovia Raceway, Frederick. Info: 757/484-4688.

* MISSOURI SHORT TRACK - HLR Motorsports Inc., AMA, District 18, Moberly. Info: 660/263-4296 or www.moberlymo.com/hlr.

OREGON ROAD RACE - OMRRA, Portland. Info: 503/221-1487.

Sat, May 16

CALIFORNIA VINTAGE CYCLE RALLY - 30th anniversary Vintage Cycle Rally, Hanford. Info: 805/733-1137.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprises Motorsports, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, 25-Lap Classic, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.wient.com/speedway.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Starwest Spring Night Series, Starwest Supercross Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/943-4535 or 909/657-8845.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Over the Hill Gang MX Race, Castaic. Info: 714/680-8643.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - AMA, District 36, Family Enduro, Timekeepers MC, with Dual Sport Class, Clear Creek Recreation Area, Coalinga. Info: 408/739-5762 or www.timekeepersmc.com.

* CALIFORNIA FLAT TRACK - San Diego Flat Track Association Inc., Imperial Valley Fairgrounds, El Centro. Info: 619/277-1591 or Tritt@Pacbell.netcom.

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Sideways Saturdays, AMA, Dixon Fairgrounds Arena, Dixon. Info: 707/678-5532 or http://members.aol.com/SidewaysSat.

FLORIDA DIRT TRACK - Florida Dirt Track Racers Association, Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info: 407/869-5388.

* FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - KRY Inc., Pasco County Fairgrounds, Dade City. Info: 352/588-4697 or Http://Homepage.USR.com/D/Dadecity.

* FLORIDA SUPERCROSS - West Florida MX Park Inc., Night Race, Milton. Info: 850/623-6038.

GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - Southern Raceway MX, Bainbridge. Info: 912/246-5088 or 912/246-3607.

ILLINOIS DIRT TRACK - Prairie Thunder MC, AMA/District 17, Menard County Fairgrounds, Petersburg. Info: 217/632-3857 or McDevitt4@Juno.com.

* INDIANA MOTOCROSS - Steeltown Motocross Park, Chrisney. Info: 888/957-RACE or 812/925-8850 or AOL-JM109.

MICHIGAN HILLCLIMB - District 14, Muskegon MC, Dan Raymond Park, Bridgeton. Info: 616/728-4153.

* NEW YORK SHORT TRACK - AMA/Square Deal Riders MC, SDR Raceway, Harpursville. Info: 607/723-2288 or 607/693-2634.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - AMA/Broome-Tioga, Binghamton. Info: 607/849-4438.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Daniels Ridge, Spring Summer Series, Taylorsville. Info: 704/758-4342.

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* OHIO MOTOCROSS - MRA, Delta Raceway, Night Race, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - CRA/Competition Riders of America, Western Reserve Motorcycle Club, Salem. Info: 330/337-8077.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Gold Cup Challenge MX, Pro-Am Sports Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

WEST VIRGINIA MOTOCROSS - Mom's Mountain Inc., AMA, Mom's Mountain Race Park, Daniels. Info: 304/763-9133.

Sun, May 17

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Phillipsville MX, Phillipsville. Info: 707/943-3029.

CALIFORNIA DUAL SPORT - Chaparrals MC, Jawbone Canyon/Plute Mountains Start/Finish, Jawbone Store, near Mojave. Info: 562/804-4071.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Dunestown Race Series, Los Angeles County Raceway, Perris. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - NMA, Ponca City Qualifier, Starwest Supercross Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535 or mxraces@hotmail.com.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - AMA, District 36, Championship Enduro, Timekeepers MC, Clear Creek Recreation Area, Coalinga. Info: 408/739-5762 or www.timekeepersmc.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Thousand Oaks Yamaha Spring Classic Nationals, Badlands Raceway, Victorville. Info: 949/367-1141.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - AMA/District 36, Timekeepers MC, Clear Creek Recreation Area, Coalinga. Info: 408/739-5762 or www.timekeepersmc.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks MX, Ramona. Info: 760/752-8252.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - Florida Trail Riders, North Florida Raceway, Hilliard. Info: 904/268-2228 or 941/591-2790.

ILLINOIS HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA/Little Egypt Off-Road MC, Trail of Tears Lodge and Sports Resort, Jonesboro. Info: 618/252-2062.

KENTUCKY MOTOCROSS - AMA, Thorobred Series, Bluegrass Sports, Bluegrass MX Park, Clay City. Info: 606/744-5916.

MARYLAND MOTOCROSS - Antietam MC, Howell Road, Hagerstown. Info: 301/797-8686 or 301/797-1607.

* MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Midwest Spring MX Championship, MotoSports Inc., X-2 MX Track, Grain Valley. Info: 913/268-3955.

MISSOURI ENDURO - BJEC, AMA, Missouri Mudders, St. Joe Park, Park Hills. Info: 314/639-6373.

NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Great Plains Promotions, White Sands Raceway MX Park, Ashland. Info: 402/556-5801.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - AMA/Broome-Tioga, Rnd 2 of the Thor/Parts Unlimited NE Motocross Series, Binghamton. Info: 607/849-4438.

NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Suzuki Contingency, Claverack MX, Claverack. Info: 518/828-6149.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Hunt Moto Park, WNYSC, Robinson Road, Hunt. Info: 716/476-2697.

NEW YORK HARE SCRAMBLES - Western New York Offroad Association, Wayne County MC, Fairville. Info: 315/331-4764 or 315/331-6649.

NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Victory Sports Racing, Winters Marketing Ultra Series, Forest City. Info: 423/323-5497.

* NORTH CAROLINA HARE SCRAMBLES - Devil's Ridge, Rnd 5, Sanford. Info: 919/776-1767.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Side by Side Racing, Districts 29 & 13 U.S. Eastern Pro-Am Spring Series, Rolling Hills Cycle Park, Reidsville. Info: 336/342-1037 or 336/342-9027.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - MRA, Sandusky Valley Riders MC, Tiffin. Info: 419/927-MOTO or www.racemra.com.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - CRA, Ohio International Raceway, Ravenna. Info: OIRMX@onecom.com.

* OREGON MOTOCROSS - Warner Racing, Wallowa Mountain Motocross, Enterprise. Info: 541/426-8284.

PENNSYLVANIA TT SCRAMBLES - East Pennsylvania Piston Poppers, AMA, Parkersburg. Info: 610/269-3661.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Dublin Gap MX, Newburg. Info: 717/249-6036.

PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Flying Dutchmen MC Inc., Pine Grove. Info: 717/345-6340 or 717/345-8734.

* SOUTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Hardeeville MX, Purrysburg Road, Hardeeville. Info: 912/748-6304.

SOUTH DAKOTA MOTOCROSS - SD/AMA, Yankton. Info: 605/665-3512.

* TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - AMA, Peery's MX, Kimmins Road, Hohenwald. Info: 931/796-2298 or www.peerys.com.

TEXAS CROSS COUNTRY - Texas Cross Country Racing Association, Tracy Anders/North Bryson. Info: 817/685-8091.

* TEXAS HALF MILE - Top-Notch Promotions, Lonestar Speedway, Kilgore. Info: 903/984-7406 or 903/768-2415.

Tue, May 19

GEORGIA ENTHUSIAST HANGOUT - Roswell Fun Machines, Sidelines Sportsbar, Marietta. Info: 770/509-3320 or http://www.mindspring.com/~shannond/cycle/.

May 22-25

ILLINOIS RICKY GRAHAM MILE - Pistol Racing, The Pistol Gardens, Springfield. Info: 217/527-1251 or 507/334-8243 or rgriz2@aol.com.

Fri, May 22

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, Pepsi Kids Night, Fan of the Week, Night Race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or FastFriday@aol.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - KB Racing Promotions, Sacramento Raceway, Rnd 3, Sacramento. Info: 916/682-6123.

GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - High Falls SX, Night Race, High Falls. Info: 770/358-6111.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - NMA Ponca City Qualifier, MRA Milan Cycle City, Night Race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600.

OHIO SHORT TRACK - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, Night Race, Cincinnati. Info: 513/662-7759 or 812/537-5299.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, Lake Geneva Raceway, Bloomfield Road, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/728-0823.

May 23-24

CANADA MOTOCROSS - International Old-Timers MX Association, Alberta Chapter, Antler Lake, Edmonton, Alberta. Info: 403/456-6775.

COLORADO MOTOCROSS - RMXA, Watkins Sports Riders, Watkins. Info: 719/473-6723.

* GEORGIA DIRT TRACK - AMA, Semi-Pro, Weaver Promotions, GFTL, Checkered Flag Speedway, Danielsville. Info: 770/962-7888.

HAWAII ENDURO - Rock Island Riders, Hilo. Info: 808/959-1848.

NEVADA MOTOCROSS - Over The Hill Gang, Reno National, Rnd 2, Reno. Info: 714/680-8643.

* WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS - AMA/Loretta Lynn's Regional, Washougal MX Park, Washougal. Info: 541/673-1671.

May 23-25

ARKANSAS TRAIL RIDE - Oklahoma Dirt Riders, Campout/Trail Ride, Cass. Info: 405/769-3328 or 405/793-1547.

* PENNSYLVANIA HALF MILE - Two Wheel Promotions, Short Track Path Valley Speedway, Willow Hill and Port Royal. Info: 717/426-2910 or 426-4756 or vic@redrose.net.

Sat, May 23

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - AMX, E-Zup Dealer Series, Go Huge Racing Promotions, Ocotillo Raceway, Eloy. Info: 520/743-7727. www.gohuge.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprises Motorsports, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Starwest Spring Night Series, Starwest Supercross Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/943-4535 or 909/657-8845.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Full Blown Promotions, Southern California Supercross Series, A.V. Fairgrounds, Lancaster. Info: 805/942-6040.

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Sideways Saturdays, AMA, Bud Racing, Dixon Fairgrounds Arena, Dixon. Info: 707/678-5532 or http://members.aol.com/sidewaysat.

* FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - KRY Inc., Pasco County Fairgrounds, Dade City. Info: 352/588-4697.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - NMA Ponca City Regional Qualifiers, Southeast Region, Dade City. Info: 352/588-4697.

* KANSAS SHORT TRACK - Fastrack Promotions, Night Race, KMSA Points, Jeps M C, Wichita. Info: 316/269-4422.

KENTUCKY HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA, Eagle Creek Park, Mason Lane, Owenton. Info: 606/472-3442.

* KENTUCKY SUPERCROSS - KTMXA, Murray Race Track, Murray. Info: 502/753-6919 or 901/247-5277 or elfm08a@prodigy.com.

* NEW YORK SHORT TRACK - AMA/Square Deal Riders MC, SDR Raceway, Harpersville. Info: 607/723-2288 or 607/693-2634.

NEW YORK ROAD RACE - Dice Run Road Event, Krome Kroozers Inc., Ithaca. Info: 607/275-9413.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - NMA Ponca City Qualifier, MRA, Delta Raceway, Night Race, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Malvern Motocross Park, Night Race, PJ1 Night. Info: 330/262-4945.

SOUTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Turkey Creek MX, Cobbler Series, Edgefield. Info: 803/637-3020.

SOUTH DAKOTA MOTOCROSS - SD/AMA, 6th annual Bud Money Race, Yankton. Info: 605/665-3512.

VIRGINIA MOTOCROSS - Powerline Motocross Playground, Floyd County, Willis. Info: 540/789-7260 or 540/789-7640.

May 24-25

* KANSAS MOTOCROSS - Dunlop Challenge, Sport Arena, Great Bend. Info: 913/842-8272 or 316/792-7513.

* NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - NMA Qualifier, Southwest Nebraska MX, McCook. Info: 308/345-3744.

Sun, May 24

CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLE SHOW & SWAP MEET - Long Beach Cycle Show & Swap Meet, Long Beach Veterans Stadium, Long Beach. Info: 714/557-1846.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Cycleland Speedway, Chico. Info: 530/342-0063.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Motowest, 6th annual Memorial Day MX Championships, Hollister Hills GP Track, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMP/GFI Parts Unlimited, Outfield Race way, Rnd 3, Turlock. Info: 209/656-9682.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Dunestown Race Series, Los Angeles County Raceway. Info: 805/272-8889.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Thousand Oaks Yamaha Spring Classic Nationals, Hollister Hills, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

* CANADA MOTOCROSS - Erie Ramblers MC, Day Race, Wheatley, Ontario. Info: 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

* COLORADO DIRT TRACK - Harry's Roamers MC, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Hugo. Info: 719/541-3023.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - ProSports USA, Sunshine State MX Championship Series, Orlando MX Park, Orlando. Info: 352/242-2605.

* FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - County Line MX Park, Fountain. Info: 904/769-9505 or 722-7616.

* GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - CRC/Carmen Racing Complex, Woodbine. Info: 912/576-3000.

GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - AMA, Echconnie Motocross Club, Georgia Championship, Rnd 7, Macon. Info: 912/788-8227 or 956-5420.

* MISSISSIPPI MOTOCROSS - MX 886, Spring Championships, Pontotoc. Info: 601/489-8316.

* NEVADA MOTOCROSS - On Trac Events, CMC, Silver State Raceway, Carson City. Info: 702/267-4392.

NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 34, Ace Motocross, Modena. Info: 914/361-4410.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - AMA/Dixieland Motorsports, Elizabeth City MX. Info: 757/549-7012.

PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Sleepy Hollow MX Park Inc., Fredericksburg. Info: 717/273-1180 or 717/865-5530.

* SOUTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - The Money Pit, Yemassee. Info: 800/953-6607 or www.Taildragger.com.

SOUTH DAKOTA MOTOCROSS - SD/AMA, 14th annual Old Mill Money Race, Yankton. Info: 605/665-3512.

TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - KTMXA, TNT Motocross Park, Milan. Info: 901/987-9633.

* TEXAS SHORT TRACK - Action Promotions, Action Speedway, Mineola. Info: 903/768-2415.

Mon, May 25

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - CRC Dunestown Race Series, Los Angeles County Raceway. Info: 805/272-8889.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - AMA, Vinton Motocross Park, McArthur. Info: 740/756-1267.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Smith Road Raceway, Medina. Info: 330/725-8569.

Tue, May 26

GEORGIA ENTHUSIAST HANGOUT - Roswell Fun Machines, Sidelines Sportsbar, Marietta. Info: 770/509-3320 or http://www.mindspring.com/~shannond/cycle/.

Fri, May 29

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, Challenge 2, Fan of the Week, Night Race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or FastFriday@aol.com.

GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - High Falls SX, Night Race, High Falls. Info: 770/358-6111.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - MRA, Milan Cycle City, Night Race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

OHIO SHORT TRACK - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, Night Race, Cincinnati. Info: 513/662-7759 or 812/537-5299.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, Suzuki Contingency Night, Lake Geneva Raceway, Bloomfield Road, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/728-0823.

May 30-31

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Phillipsville MX, Phillipsville. Info: 707/943-3029.

CALIFORNIA ROAD RALLY & DUAL SPORT - BSA, AHRMA, Vintage Road Rally and Dual Sport, Milani's B St. Bar, Lake Country. Info: 415/457-5423.

OREGON DUAL SPORT - 1st NW Dual Sport Rally Euro-Style, AMA, OMRA, Northwest Desert Riders, Wheeler County, Mitchell. Info: 503/630-3627.

Sat, May 30

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Thrasherland, Glendale. Info: 602/935-5314.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Marysville Motocross Club, Night Race, Riverfront Park, Marysville. Info: 530/695-2727 or http://www.jps.net/motoc.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprises Motorsports, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, Harley Blow-Out, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.wient.com/speedway.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Saturday Night Specials, Los Angeles County Raceway. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMCX, 1998 Spring MX Series, Rnd 4, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 888/550-MOTO or www.carlsbadmx.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Full Blown Promotions, Southern California Supercross Series, A.V. Fairgrounds, Lancaster. Info: 805/942-6040.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI Racing, GFI at Night MX Series Warm-Up, Perris Raceway, Perris. Info: 909/653-4042.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Starwest MX Park, Night Racing, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks MX, Ramona. Info: 760/752-8252.

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - AMA, Sideways Saturday, CLB Enterprises, Dixon Fairgrounds, Dixon. Info: 707/678-5961.

FLORIDA DIRT TRACK - Florida Dirt Track Racers Association, Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info: 407/869-5388.

* FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - KRY Inc., Pasco County Fairgrounds, Dade City. Info: 352/588-4697.

* FLORIDA SUPERCROSS - West Florida Motocross Park Inc., Night Race, Milton. Info: 850/623-6038.

GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - Southern Raceway MX, Bainbridge. Info: 912/246-5088 or 912/246-3607.

NEBRASKA SHORT TRACK - Norfolk Short Track, First Street and Benjamin Avenue, Norfolk. Info: 402/887-5380 or jghix@bloomnet.com.

NEVADA MOTOCROSS & SWAP MEET - Motocross West, Night Race, Rnd 1, Nevada MX Development, Fallon Fairgrounds, Churchill County Regional Park, Fallon. Info: 702/787-7269 or jaja@aosisol.com.

* NEW YORK ARENACROSS - Frozen Ocean Motocross Park, Night Race, Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Daniels Ridge, Spring Summer Series, Taylorsville. Info: 704/758-4342.

* NORTH CAROLINA SUPERCROSS - NAME, Under The Lights Series, Rolling Hills Cycle Park, Reidsville. Info: 336/342-4492.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - MRA, Delta Raceway, Night Race, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - AMA, Dirt Country Raceway, Blanchester. Info: 513/625-7350.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Sports Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Dublin Gap MX, Newburg. Info: 717/249-6036.

* TENNESSEE SUPERCROSS - KTMXA, Powerline, Atwood. Info: 901/686-0558 or 901/662-7173 or elfm08a@prodigy.com.

Sun, May 31

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - SRA/Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 714/957-2985.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AHRMA Northwest Regional MX Series, Phillipsville. Info: 707/943-3029.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMP/GFI Parts Unlimited, Hollister Hills GP Track, Rnd 4, Hollister. Info: 209/656-9682.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - SSC MX Racing, Rnd 2, Castaic Brick Spring Nationals, Lemon Grove MX Park, Piru. Info: 805/294-0020 or www.reset-inc.com/sscmx.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Over The Hill Gang MX Race, Perris. Info: 714/680-8643.

CALIFORNIA SUPER TT - Buttonwillow Super TT, Buttonwillow Raceway Park, Buttonwillow. Info: 805/764-5333.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Thousand Oaks Yamaha Spring Classic Nationals, Competition Park, San Jacinto. Info: 909/654-2126.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks MX, Ramona. Info: 760/752-8252.

* COLORADO MOTOCROSS - 11th round of the SRAC MX Series, Rocky Mountain Promotions, Berthoud. Info: 303/988-7722 or 303/989-7436.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - ProSports USA, Sunshine State MX Championship Series, Hardrock Cycle Park, Ocala. Info: 352/242-2605.

* IDAHO TRAIL RIDE - Kendrick Trail Riders, Team Race. Info: 208/289-4864.

* IOWA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 22, New Hartford Racing MX Park, New Hartford. Info: 319/232-3169.

KENTUCKY MOTOCROSS - AMA, Bluegrass Sports, Bluegrass MX Park, Clay City. Info: 606/744-5916.

NEW MEXICO MOTOCROSS - Motocross at Moriarty. Info: 505/888-7312.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Frozen Ocean Motocross Park, WNYSC, Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517.

Sat, June 6

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprises Motorsports, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, Toyota Fan Appreciation Night, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.wient.com/speedway.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Saturday Night Specials, Los Angeles County Raceway. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA OPEN SCRAMBLES/TT - Cal Coastal Promotions, California Mid-State Fairgrounds, Paso Robles. Info: 805/237-2288 or 805/544-8618.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI Racing, GFI at Night MX Series, Rnd 1, Yamaha Contingency, Perris Raceway, Perris. Info: 909/653-4042.

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - AMA, Sideways Saturday, CLB Enterprises, Dixon Fairgrounds, Dixon. Info: 707/678-5961.

FLORIDA DIRT TRACK - Florida Dirt Track Racers Association, Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info: 407/869-5388.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - NMA, Ponca City Regional Qualifiers, Southeast Region, Dade City. Info: 352/588-4697.

* FLORIDA SUPERCROSS - West Florida Motocross Park Inc., Milton. Info: 850/623-6038.

* GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - Wings & Wheels Southeastern SX Shoot-Out, Rnd 4, Bremen Race Park, Bremen. Info: 770/941-8464 or Ridermx1@aol.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA SUPERCROSS - NAME, Under the Lights Series, Rolling Hills Cycle Park, Reidsville. Info: 336/342-4492.

* TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - NMA Qualifier, Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Clarksville. Info: 502/886-8564.

* TENNESSEE SUPERCROSS - KTMXA, ESP Sports, Clarksville. Info: 502/886-8564 or elm08a@prodigy.com.

* UTAH HARE SCRAMBLES - Big Rock Motorsports, USRA, Zion Nat'l Park, Mount Carmel. Info: 801/544-0643.

VIRGINIA MOTOCROSS - Powerline Motocross Playground, Floyd County, Willis. Info: 540/789-7260 or 540/789-7640.

Sun, June 7

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Cycleland Speedway, Chico. Info: 530/342-0063.

CALIFORNIA DRAG RACE AND CAR SHOW - 28th annual Antique Nationals Drag Race and Car Show, Los Angeles County Raceway, Palmdale. Info: 909/695-3713.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - SSC MX Racing, Rnd 3, Castaic Brick Spring Nationals, Castaic Lake Park, Castaic. Info: 805/294-0020 or www.reset-inc.com/sscmx.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - NMA, Ponca City Qualifier, Starwest Supercross Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMP/GFI Parts Unlimited, Yamaha of Modesto Spring Series, Hollister Hills GP Track, Rnd 5, Hollister. Info: 209/656-9682.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks MX, Ramona. Info: 760/752-8252.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - ProSports USA, Sunshine State MX Championship Series, Dade City Raceway, Dade City. Info: 352/242-2605.

IOWA MOTORCYCLE SHOW - J&P Promotions, Hillclimb, Swap Meet and Ride-In Bike Show, Anamosa. Info: 319/462-6011.

KENTUCKY HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA, Eagle Creek, Mason Lane, Owenton. Info: 606/472-3442.

MARYLAND HARE SCRAMBLES - Antietam MC, Howell Road, Hagerstown. Info: 301/797-8686 or 301/797-1607.

MICHIGAN HARE SCRAMBLES - Bentwheels Competition Club, Rose City. Info: 248/814-0700.

MISSOURI HARE SCRAMBLES - Missouri Hare Scramble Championship, Brush Busters. Info: 417/537-8406.

NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Great Plains Promotions, White Sands Raceway MX Park, Ashland. Info: 402/556-5801.

NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Silver Springs Motocross, WNYSC, Rock Glen. Info: 716/786-5596 or 716/786-2157.

NEW YORK HARE SCRAMBLES - Western New York Offroad Association, Java. Info: 716/457-9531.

OHIO MOTOCROSS - Sunset Ramblers Motorcycle Club of Gallon, Gallon. Info: 419/562-6931.

* OHIO HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA/District 11, Dynamic Promotions, Constitution Ridge, Belpre. Info: 740/593-6704.

PENNSYLVANIA ROAD RACING - Eastern American Road Racing Association, New Bloomfield Kart Track, New Bloomfield. Info: 757/484-4688.

PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Flying Dutchmen MC Inc., Pine Grove. Info: 717/345-6340 or 717/345-8734.

PENNSYLVANIA DIRT TRACK - Shippensburg Motorcycle Club, Shippensburg. Info: 717/796-0294.

TENNESSEE HARE SCRAMBLES - Mid-South Summer Series, Clarksville. Info: 615/859-0873.

* TEXAS MOTOCROSS - 26th annual GNC Texas Series, Mosier Valley USA, Arlington. Info: 214/351-9900.

* TEXAS SHORT TRACK - Action Promotions, Action Speedway, Mineola. Info: 903/768-2415.

* WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS - AMA/Washougal MX Park, Washougal. Info: 541/673-1671.

* WYOMING MOTOCROSS - 12th Round of the SRAC MX Series, Cheyenne Cycle Club, Cheyenne. Info: 303/988-7722 or 303/989-7436.

Fri, June 12

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, Fan of the Week, Night Race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - KB Racing Promotions, Northern California Spring MX Series, Sacramento Raceway, Rnd 4, Sacramento. Info: 916/682-6123.

GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - High Falls SX, Night Race, High Falls. Info: 770/358-6111.

* KENTUCKY SUPERCROSS - KTMXA, Murray Race Track, Murray. Info: 502/753-6919 or 901/247-5277 or elm08a@prodigy.com.

OHIO SHORT TRACK - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, Night Race, Cincinnati. Info: 513/662-7759 or 812/537-5299.

* WISCONSIN SHORT TRACK - AMA, SST's, Sheboygan County Fairgrounds, Plymouth. Info: 414/353-5920.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, Suzuki Contingency Night, Lake Geneva Raceway, Bloomfield Road, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/728-0823.

June 13-14

NEW MEXICO MOTOCROSS - AMA, Motocross Stock Regional at Moriarty. Info: 505/888-7312.

* NEW YORK SHORT TRACK - AMA/Square Deal Riders MC, SDR Raceway, Harpursville. Info: 607/723-2288 or 607/693-2634.

WISCONSIN MOTORCYCLE SHOW - J&P Promotions, Road America Coca Cola Super Classic Ride in Bike Show, Road America Raceway, Elkhart Lake. Info: 319/462-6011.

Sat, June 13

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - Best in the West Formula Four Stroke Series, Rnd 3, Go Huge Racing Promotions, Ocotillo Raceway, Eloy. Info: 520/743-7727 or www.gohuge.com.

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Thrasherland, Glendale. Info: 602/935-5314.

CALIFORNIA DIRT TRACK - San Diego Flat Track Association, Temecula Speedway. Info: 619/277-1591.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Marysville MX, Night Race, Riverfront Park. Info: 916/695-2727 or <http://www.jps.net/motocross/index.htm>.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprises Motorsports, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, Dan Nay Night, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.wient.com/speedway.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Saturday Night Specials, Los Angeles County Raceway. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMXR, 1998 Spring MX Series, Rnd 5, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 888/550-MOTO or www.carlsbadmx.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI Racing, GFI at Night MX Series, Rnd 2, Yamaha Contingency, Starwest, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/653-4042.

CALIFORNIA TT FLAT TRACK - Fresno Motorcycle Club, Caruthers Fairgrounds, Caruthers. Info: 209/224-5388.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Starwest MX Park, GFI Night Series, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535.

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - AMA, Sideways Saturday, CLB Enterprises, Dixon Fairgrounds, Dixon. Info: 707/678-5961.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - NMA Ponca City Regional Qualifiers, Southeast Region, Dade City. Info: 352/588-4697.

INDIANA MOTOCROSS - Steeltown Motocross Park, Chrisney. Info: 888/957-RACE or 812/925-8850 or AOL-JM109.

NEVADA MOTOCROSS - Moto-X-West, Reno OTHG, Night Race, Rnd 2, Fernley International Raceway, Fernley. Info: 702/331-6568 or jaja@aosisol.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Daniels Ridge, Spring Summer Series, Taylorsville. Info: 704/758-4342.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Malvern Motocross Park, Night Race, Moto-X Night. Info: 330/262-4945.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Sports Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

Sun, June 14

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - SSC MX Racing, Rnd 4, Castaic Brick Spring Nationals, Hungry Valley SVRA, Gorman. Info: 805/294-0020 or www.reset-inc.com/sscmx.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Over The Hill Gang MX, Starwest Raceway, Moreno Valley. Info: 714/680-8643.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - Merced Dirt Riders, District 36, AMA, Spring Gap, Frasier Flat Area, Long Barn. Info: 209/526-3957 or 209/634-4810.

* COLORADO MOTOCROSS - RMXA, Yampa Valley Sportsmans Riders Club, Craig. Info: 303/271-0190 or 719/473-6723.

MISSOURI HARE SCRAMBLES - Missouri Hare Scramble Championship, Flat Rock Creek. Info: 417/537-8406.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Frozen Ocean MX Park, AMA, CNYMRA, Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517.

NEW YORK DUAL SPORT - Western New York Offroad Association, ITHACA Dirt Riders, Speedsville. Info: 607/657-8248.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Kenworthy's GP Club, David Swingley/Doug Kramer Memorial Race, Troy. Info: 937/335-4763.

* OREGON MOTOCROSS - Warner Racing, Wallowa Mountain MX, Enterprise. Info: 541/426-6284.

PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Sleepy Hollow MX Park Inc., Fredericksburg. Info: 717/273-1180 or 717/865-5530.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - AMA/Hurricane Hills, Blocker Enterprise Day, Clifford. Info: 717/222-9290.

* TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - AMA/Five Oaks Motocross, Sale Creek. Info: 423/332-9092.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA, Aztalan Cycle Club, Clubgrounds, Lake Mills. Info: 414/297-9367.

Fri, June 19

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, Challenge 3, Fan of the Week, Night Race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223.

GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - High Falls SX, Night Race, High Falls. Info: 770/358-6111.

OHIO SHORT TRACK - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, Night Race, Cincinnati. Info: 513/662-7759 or 812/537-5299.

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June 20-21

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Over The Hill Gang/Old Timers Mammoth Mountain Motocross, Mammoth Lakes. Info: 714/680-8643.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - MiniStars '98, Starwest Supercross Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535 or mrxaces@hotmail.com.

NEVADA DUAL SPORT - Dust Devils MC, Reno 200 Dual Sport, Boomtown Hotel Casino, 702/853-6660.

* WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS - CMC, Pac-West MX Nationals, Rnds 3&4, Horn Rapids OHV, Richland. Info: 208/667-7905 or www.nidlink.com/~mxmom.

Sat, June 20

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Racing Enterprises Motorsports, Glen Helen Raceway, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

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CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - AMA, Sideways Saturday, CLB Enterprises, Dixon Fairgrounds, Dixon. Info: 707/678-5961.

FLORIDA DIRT TRACK - Florida Dirt Track Racers Association, Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info: 407/869-5388.

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* NEVADA HARE & HOUND - High Desert Racing, Wells. Info: 702/777-9535.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - AMA, Dirt Country Raceway, Blanchester. Info: 513/625-7350.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Gold Cup Challenge MX, Pro-Am Sports Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

Sun, June 21

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - SRA/Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 714/957-2985.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks MX, Ramona. Info: 760/752-8252.

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* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Frozen Ocean Motocross Park, WNYSC, Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517.

NEW YORK HARE SCRAMBLES - Western New York Offroad Association, SATRA, Frozen Ocean, Owasco. Info: 315/895-7654.

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* TEXAS SHORT TRACK - Action Promotions, Action Speedway, Mineola. Info: 903/768-2415.

June 25-28

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - 31st annual Mammoth Motocross, Mammoth Lakes. Info: 760/934-0642.

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June 27-28

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Sun, June 28

CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLE SWAPMEET - The Shop, 11th annual Antique Motorcycle Show and Swap Meet, Ventura County Fairgrounds. Info: 805/650-6777.

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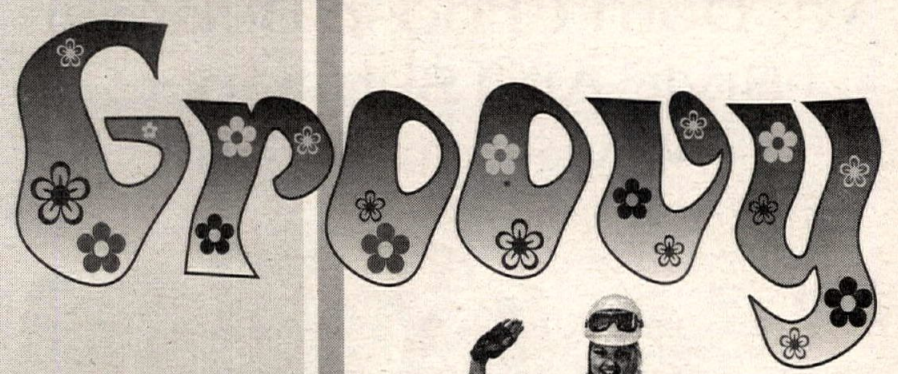
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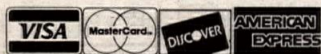
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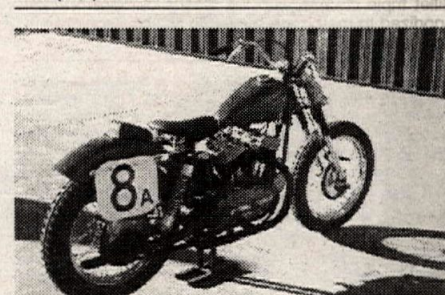
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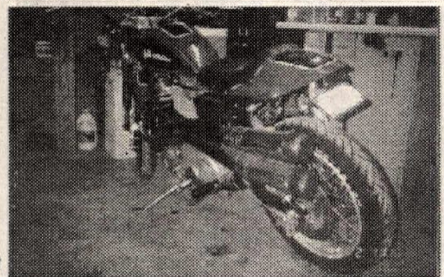
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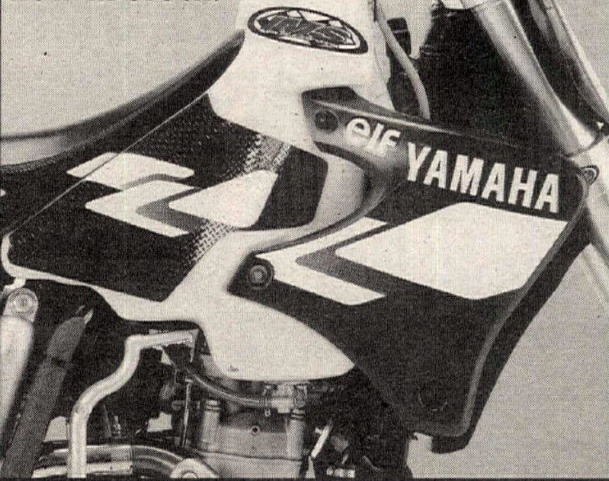
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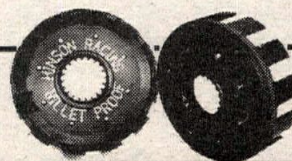
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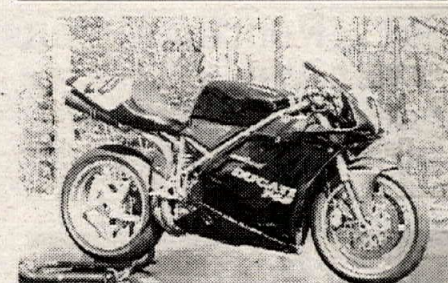


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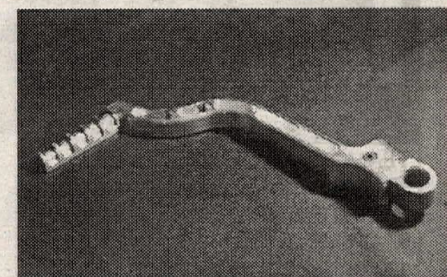
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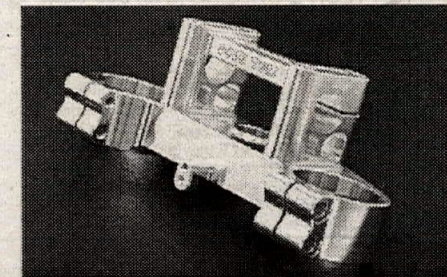
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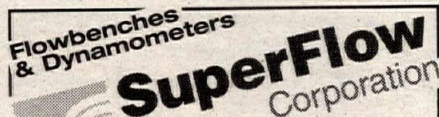
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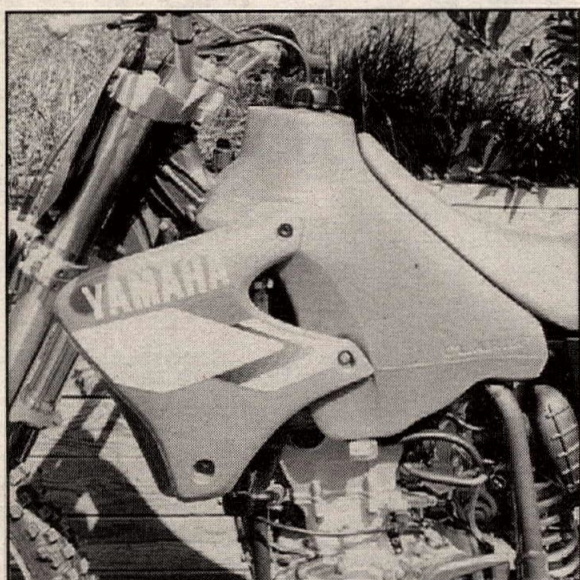
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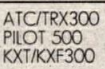
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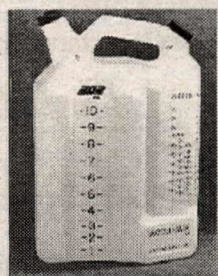
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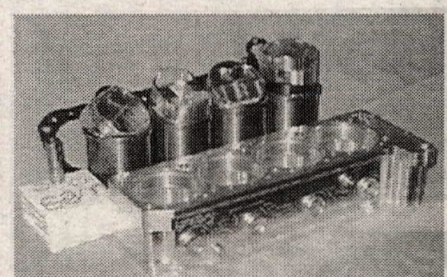
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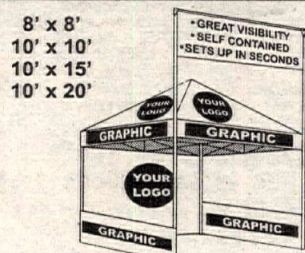
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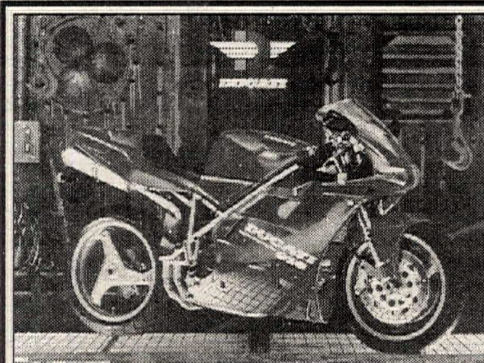
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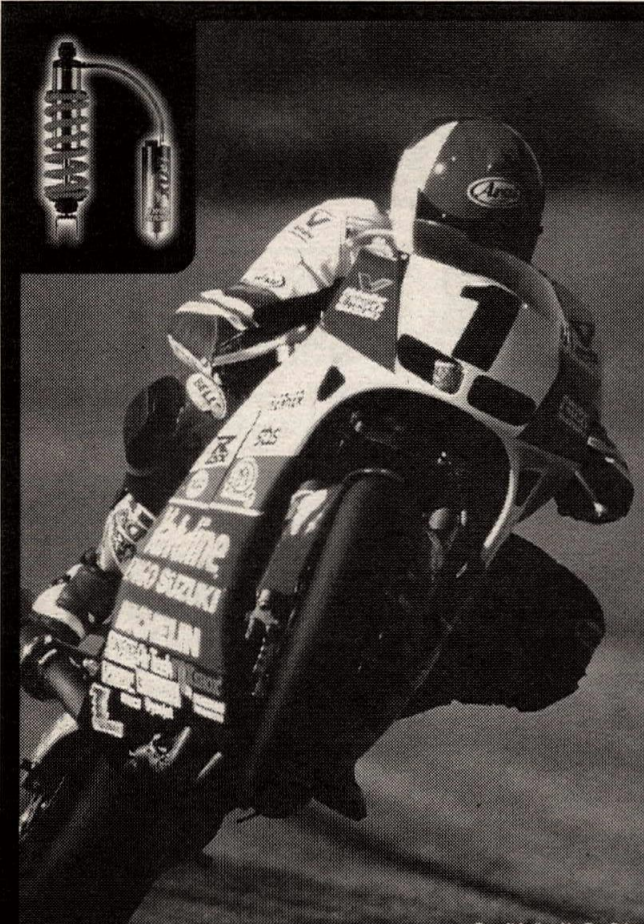
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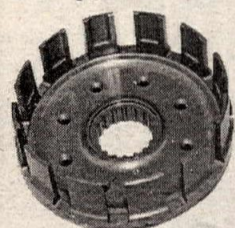
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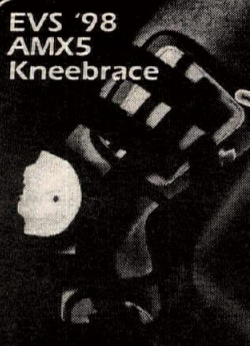
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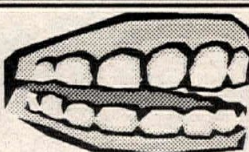
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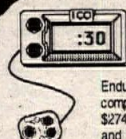
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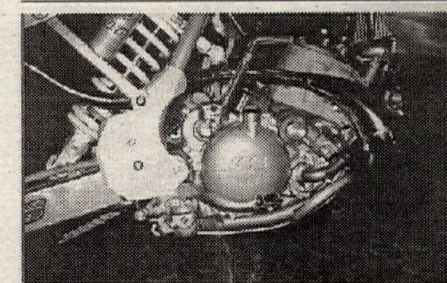
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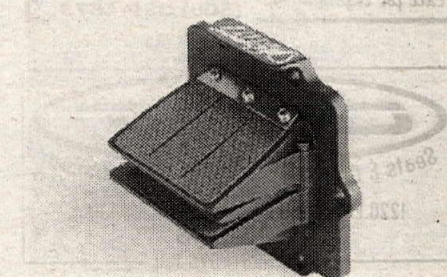
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I've got to rant.

As America's premier motorcycle sanctioning body, and the only one recognized by the FIM, the AMA has unquestionably done the motorcycle racing a lot of good, especially lately. You can look to the healthy state of the circus that is motocross/supercross, the tremendous action that has been enjoyed in the Superbike series thus far in '98, and an ultra-competitive dirt track series that seemed to improve considerably last year (and hopefully will continue to grow this year) as signs that AMA-sanctioned racing is as popular as ever.

So will someone, anyone, please explain to me why our nation's most recognized motorcycle sanctioning body continues to shoot itself in the foot with moves that amount to nothing more than a lack of common sense?

Need an example? Easy. This Cary Andrew/HyperCycle debacle is ridiculously out of control, and regardless of the "rulings" that were handed down in the matter, I think that the fallout from this incident has yet to occur. I also think that if it ever does, it will be nuclear.

In case you haven't been keeping up on the saga (come on out, enjoy that big yellow ball in the sky; it's called *the sun*), it goes something like this: HyperCycle was busted by the AMA at Daytona when tech inspectors found that both Jason Pridmore's and Nicky Hayden's 750cc Supersport machines had material removed from the base-gasket area. The AMA followed its own rule book, which clearly states in section C under Equipment Offenses and Penalties: "Each rider assumes full responsibility for any violation of equipment rules involving his/her motorcycle." The infraction was classified as a Category 1 equipment offense: "An equipment violation that could potentially or effectively enhance the performance of a motorcycle used in competition."

The AMA then followed the rule book under the Penalties section for Category 1 equipment offenses. According to the rule book, it had the following options:

- 1) Disqualification.
- 2) Total or partial loss of points.
- 3) Total or partial loss of prize money.
- 4) Suspension from the next National event in the series.
- 5) Fine.

The AMA apparently looked at those options and elected to disqualify both riders.

Bravo! Well done. Case closed. Regardless of who *actually* removed the material on those cases, *the rider* was the man that the rule book clearly spelled out would be disqualified, and both riders were. Whether it was their own fault was not the issue. If that came as a surprise to either Hayden or Pridmore, then that's their fault, because I'd be willing to bet that neither one of them has read the rule book. If they had, they would have known. I'd also bet that if they had known about the violations, then both of

them have enough personal and professional integrity to say to anyone, "Hey, I don't need a cheater bike to win." Their talent is without question.

In any event, justice was served, regardless of the popularity of the decision. With all that was on the line for all parties concerned, such as: 1) the potential damage to HyperCycle's relationship with Suzuki; 2) the AMA's potential loss of a model satellite team that can competitively run with the factories; and 3) the potential damage to the reputations of two great racers, I thought that the AMA handled the decision with integrity, and that its message was loud, clear and consistent. You cheat, you're gone. Period.

Then there was that question over some of the electronics and fuel-injection pieces on a HyperCycle machine at Laguna Seca. The parts were deemed to be legal. Justice was again served. Legal parts are legal parts. There is no penalty prescribed in the AMA rulebook for questionable parts, just illegal ones. As far as I'm concerned, then, that case was closed, too.

Then of course, we get to Willow Springs, where, after putting in the ride of his young career, Nicky Hayden won the AMA 750cc Supersport race. It was a great ride by a super-talented up-and-coming rider. But, uh-oh, there was a problem. In the postrace inspection, Hayden's bike was found to be illegal again. This time it was a windscreen that was "about 1 1/2 inches too tall," according to our report in *Cycle News*.

The AMA's recourse? Logic would dictate that it should have been to disqualify the rider, right? After all, the rule book clearly states that "Each rider assumes full responsibility for any violation of equipment rules involving his/her motorcycle." But in looking at the rule book, the AMA once again realized it had the following options:

- 1) Disqualification.
- 2) Total or partial loss of points.
- 3) Total or partial loss of prize money.
- 4) Suspension from the next National event in the series.
- 5) Fine.

For some reason, the AMA chose option two this time, penalizing Hayden a mere five points. Then the AMA suspended Cary Andrew, the reasoning behind which is an argument for another day. I will only say this: Under points nine and 26 in the section on General Offenses, I guess the AMA *could conceivably* have the justification for doing so, but I'm not even gonna touch that one.

But regarding the decision as it affects the rider(s), AMA Pro Racing's Merrill Vanderslice had the following to say: "If there's a performance advantage, then basically you get disqualified. It's hard to prove 100 percent that he had a performance advantage. We didn't want to disqualify Nicky (Hayden). The next-best thing was to take points, and we decided on five. Although we've never done this before, we've always had that option.

This is a unique case, and we had to get to the root of the problem on who is responsible. We also have a responsibility to the rest of the field, and that's why we took away some of his championship points."

It's nothing personal to Mr. Vanderslice, as I sympathize with the difficult position that he faces, but the statement he made is, in my opinion, both contradictory and inaccurate. First, it is contradictory to what AMA road racing manager Ron Barrick had to say before the Speedvision television cameras prior to the Sears Point National coverage. Barrick told Speedvision that the windscreen on Hayden's bike *did* represent a performance advantage at such a place as Willow, where the speeds are higher, and any way that a bike can "cheat the wind" is going to be an advantage.

So if, according to Barrick, there was a performance advantage, then, according to Vanderslice, a rider disqualification was in order.

The inaccuracy in Vanderslice's statement, I believe - and not by any intent on his part - lies in the "This is a unique case" portion of it. Maybe it is a unique case in road racing, but I argue that obvious precedents have been set, even in they were set in another AMA Pro Racing series. Lets drop back to another time, another place. At the 1996 Knoxville Half Mile, 17-year-old J.R. Schnabel put in the ride of his career on a bumpy race track and ran down top-running series contenders such as Kevin Atherton, Will Davis and Davey Camlin late in the race to finish an incredible runner-up to winner Scott Parker. However, bad news followed the good when Schnabel's carburetors were discovered to have been approximately less than one millimeter too small for the AMA's inspection tool. Schnabel, the rider who didn't even lay a finger on his carburetors prior to or during that evening's race, was immediately disqualified.

There is no way in hell that anyone - not the best mechanic, best rider or most savvy technical inspector - can convince me that a less-than-one-millimeter-smaller carburetor is going to improve the performance of an engine on a hole-hoppin' half mile - such as Knoxville was on that cold summer night - to the point that this kid had any kind of an advantage. I might buy that argument on the mile, but not at Knoxville. Yet Schnabel was *disqualified*. No points, no money. An appeal was later heard but rejected. It was a wildly unpopular decision with the fans, the media and Schnabel's fellow riders and teams. After all, Schnabel was looked upon by all as one of dirt track's bright stars of the future, just as Hayden is looked upon by the knee-dragging crowd today.

But you know what? It didn't matter. Rules were broken. According to the rule book, the rider was responsible for the equipment violation. The rider went

down. Incidentally, just one week earlier, Rich King - a rider in the thick of the point chase - was disqualified after finishing third at the Eldora Half Mile when it was discovered that his mechanics had accidentally fitted a wheel with the softer CD5 (for a 600cc bike) compound tire onto the back of his machine rather than the AMA-mandated harder CD8 compound for 750s. It was simple mistake, but a clear violation. The point is that consistency, fairness and integrity were the order of the day in both incidents.

Let's talk fuel rules for a second. Team Honda's Miguel DuHamel was fined \$2500 by the AMA this year after finishing third in the 600cc Supersport race at Daytona with illegal fuel in his tank. Team KTM's Kevin Varnes was disqualified for running illegal fuel at the LaSalle Short Track last year.

What I'm getting at here should be obvious: AMA Pro Racing needs to be consistent in its decisions, using precedents where they apply from all three forms of Pro Racing, before my aforementioned nuclear disaster strikes. And now here's my hypothetical scenario: Let's just say that Billy and Bobby are four points apart going into the last race of the year. Billy is second place in the series standings, but he knows that a win pays five points and will give him the series title and the \$50,000 point-fund check. Billy's looking for something to give him the edge, and he suddenly remembers that Jim got a \$2500 fine for running hot fuel a couple of races back. Billy's got a can of that dope in the truck, and if ever there was a time to use it... In goes the gas, Billy takes the win and Bobby runs second. In postrace inspection, the illegal fuel is discovered, and the precedent is a \$2500 fine. Great, Billy just cheated his way into the championship. It cost him \$2500 to make \$50,000. Any Vegas bookie will tell you that those are pretty bitchin' odds.

Look, here's the bottom line, and my message to the AMA is ultimately one of encouragement. AMA, please take a careful look at the potential ramifications of all of this fine/points stuff. I personally think that everyone would be better off if the rule book stated that the penalty for any Category 1 equipment offense was a rider DQ. Maybe for a second offense in a season, the penalty ought to be a DQ and probation, and for the third, a suspension. You cheat, you're gone. And I don't want to hear any whining about individual cases; let the racing decide the championship, not the rule book. I also don't care if the rider is a scapegoat; he's the one who gets all the credit for the win, doesn't he?

What I want is for AMA Pro Racing to be firm and consistent in these matters, encouraging fair play, rather than being inconsistent - like it is being these days - and potentially encouraging foul play.

LOOKING BACK...

30 YEARS AGO... JUNE 6, 1968

Don Vesco was our cover boy after he took first in his class and second overall on his 350cc Bridgestone while competing against machines with twice the displacement at Orange County (CA) International Raceway's AFM road race... **Dan Haaby** (H-D) was seriously vying for the "King of Ascot" monicker as he won his third straight Expert Half Mile at the Gardena, California, race track. Unfortunately, Amateur rider **Tommy Rockwood** saw his five-race win streak come to a halt after he crashed, handing the win over to **Mark Brelsford** (BSA).

20 YEARS AGO... MAY 24, 1978

Alex Jorgensen boomed to his first-ever AMA Grand National victory at the Ascot Half Mile, and he did so aboard none other than one of the mystical **Ron Wood** Nortons. **Skip Aksland** (H-D) finished second and assumed the series points lead. **Jay Springsteen** (H-D) was fourth... **Bob Hannah** (Yam) looked sure to be headed for a double-title year, as he returned to the stadiums and won the Pittsburgh Supercross... **Kenny Roberts** destroyed the competition en route to his first-ever 500cc GP victory at Sittendorf, Austria. Not-yet-King **Kenny** also moved to within four points of series leader **Barry Sheene** (Suz).

10 YEARS AGO... MAY 18, 1988

Our *In the Wind* section broke the terrible news that 12-year AMA Grand National Championship Series veteran **Ted Boody** had died on May 8 after suffering head injuries in a crash at the May 7 running of the Ascot Half Mile. Boody was 29... **Eddie Lawson** (Yam) barely beat his old Corona Raceway dirt track rival **Wayne Rainey** to win the Portuguese 500cc GP... **Chris Carr** (H-D) won the aforementioned May 7 Ascot Half Mile, beating his factory Harley-Davidson teammate **Scott Parker**... We interviewed two-time AMA Superbike Champion **Wes Cooley**.

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